

Grace Lutheran Church The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod

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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:

ElderJeff Jaggers		
AltarMarlys Roth		Piano/OrganSherry Rhoadarmer
Flowers	Courtesy	
Greeters		
Ushers		
Church Cleaner		Lisa Johnson
Church Secretary		Leah Sherman
Little Lambs Preschool Teacho	er	Deb Evans

**REMEMBER in your prayers:** Jan Flueckinger, DeOnna Anderson, Bob Mills, Jim Kamerzell, Ellen Zlomke, Edna Schaer, Kristy Winter, Ray and Barb Zlomke, Steve Zlomke, Wynn Coon, Nate Harris, Bonnie and Leonard Harris, Korbin Sommerville, Lori Liggett, Allison Judy, Joanie Burleigh, Onda Hupp, Sherry Rhoadarmer

#### **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) masks, while not required, may be used; 3) we will refrain from shaking hands; 4) there will be no passing of the offering plate; 5) distribution of the Sacrament will be done individually; 6) when lining up for communion, we ask you to line up one family group at a time; 7) the communion vessels have been prepared in a sanitized environment, and arranged in a way that seeks to avoid cross-contamination; 8) at the end of the service, we ask everyone to leave one family group at a time and not linger in the building.

This is something we are dealing with in our community and our congregation. We need to watch out for each other, help one another to care for our bodies and lives, encourage one another with the hope we have in Jesus' victory over death, and pray for ourselves and others that God would continue to lead and guide us.

**The children of Janice Flueckinger** invite you to join them in celebrating Janice's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on August 5<sup>th</sup> by having a card shower. They are certain Mom would appreciate your birthday wishes! Cards may be sent to:

Countryside Care: Attn. Janice Flueckinger, 500 E. 10<sup>th</sup> St., Gordon, NE 69343 Thank you and God's blessings! Jody, Linda, Mary, and Gary

#### STEWARDSHIP:

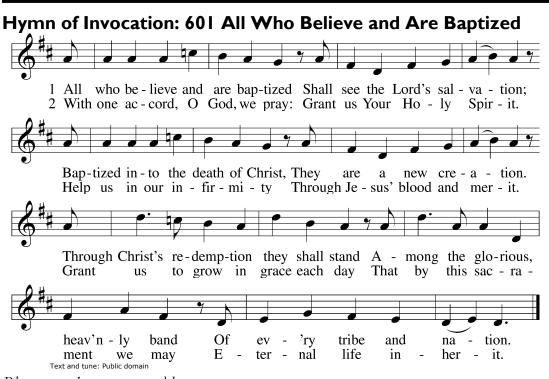
Matthew 5:24b – "First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift." Our giving to the Lord's work is part of our wider Christian life. The Lord wants us to walk in His ways in all we do. He wants our hearts united to His. It's not our gift the Lord wants, it is our very selves in all we think, say, and do.

#### Budget for 2020: \$123,485

As of July 18<sup>th</sup>, we have received \$69,593.56 in offerings. Thanks to a generous donation, the remaining balance on our district missions pledge from 2019 has been paid! Praise God from whom all blessings flow.



**DIVINE SERVICE III** *The Sixth Sunday after Trinity* 



Please stand, as you are able

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
   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.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 124:8 Psalm 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.
- 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.
   Amen. [John 20:19-23]

Introit *Psalm 28:1–2, 7; antiphon: vv. 8–9* 

The LORD is the strength of his | people;\* he is the saving refuge of his a- | nointed.

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Save your people and bless your | heritage!*
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**Be their shepherd and carry them for-** | ever. To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not | deaf to me,\*

lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down | to the pit.

Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to | you for help,\*

when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctu- | ary. The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and | I am helped;\*

my heart exults, and with my song I give | thanks to him.

- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*
  - and to the Holy | Spirit;

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as it was in the be- | ginning,*
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is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
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he is the saving refuge of his a- | nointed. Save your people and bless your | heritage!\*

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■ Let us pray. Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things, graft into our hearts the love of Your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

#### Old Testament Reading The Ten Commandments

<sup>1</sup>And God spoke all these words, saying,

<sup>2</sup>"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

<sup>3</sup>"You shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>"You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

<sup>8</sup>"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, <sup>10</sup>but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

<sup>12</sup>"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup>"You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup>"You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>15</sup>"You shall not steal.

<sup>16</sup>"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

<sup>17</sup>"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

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

Return, O LORD! | How long?\*

Have pity on your | servants!

# Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all gener- | ations.\* From everlasting to everlasting | you are God.

# **Epistle** Dead to Sin, Alive to God

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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

### Stand

# Alleluia and Verse

**C** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

# **Holy Gospel**

Matthew 5:20-26

- The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.
- **C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>20</sup>[Jesus said:] "For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

Romans 6:1–11

#### Anger

<sup>21</sup>"You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.' <sup>22</sup>But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, 'You fool!' will be liable to the hell of fire. <sup>23</sup>So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, <sup>24</sup>leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. <sup>25</sup>Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. <sup>26</sup>Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny."

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

# 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

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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.

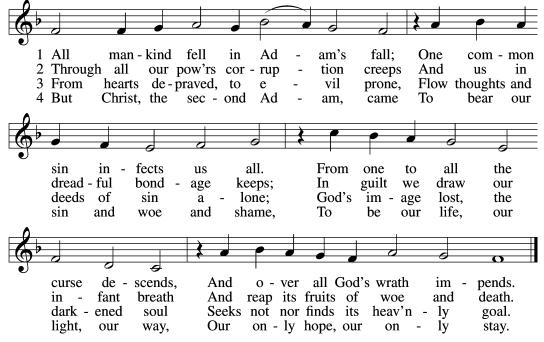
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

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: 562 All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall



5 As by one man all mankind fell And, born in sin, was doomed to hell, So by one Man, who took our

place,

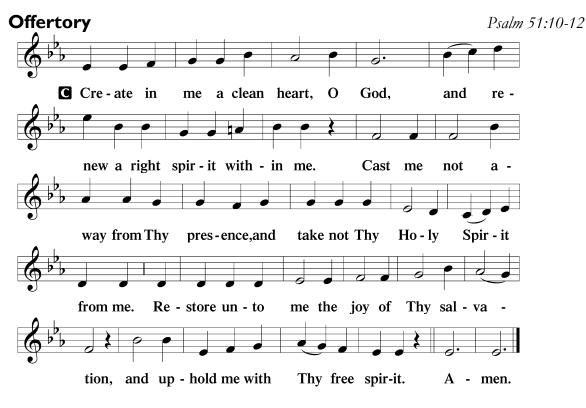
We all were justified by grace.

6 We thank You, Christ; new life is ours, New light, new hope, new strength, new pow'rs. This grace our ev'ry way attend Until we reach our journey's end.

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#### Sermon

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
 Amen.
 Philippians 4:7



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

# **Prayer of the Church**

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

Heavenly Father, hear the voice of our pleas for mercy. Your Law is good and wise, but we confess that we have not kept it. Forgive us our sins; help us to do better; and keep us united to Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who fulfilled the Law and the prophets, that we might remain clothed in His righteousness, which exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** hear our prayer.

- Gracious Father, send forth laborers into Your harvest, and sustain those whom You have sent, that the Word of reconciliation may be proclaimed to all people and the Gospel preached in all the world. Lord, in Your mercy,
   hear our prayer.
- Loving Father, it is out of Your love and wisdom that You provide us vocations in which to work and serve. Give us joy in our callings, whatever they may be, and fill us with Your Spirit, that we would strive to be faithful and diligent in our work and service, for the benefit and blessing of our neighbors. Lord, in Your mercy, C hear our prayer.
- Most merciful Father, without Your care and preservation all things wither and die. Thank you for the rain this morning, and continue to open the windows of heaven and send bountiful rain on us to revive and renew the land. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Almighty Father, You resist the proud and give grace to the humble. Grant us true humility after the likeness of Your only Son, that we may never be arrogant and prideful and thus provoke Your wrath, but in all lowliness be made partakers of the gifts of Your grace. Lord, in Your mercy,

- Merciful Father, hear those who cry out to You for help in their time of suffering, from the pandemic and every other affliction. We pray especially for \_\_\_\_\_\_. According to Your gracious will, heal their infirmities or give them strength to bear all their crosses in Christian patience. Above all, sustain them in the faith, that they would be comforted in the forgiveness, life and salvation they have in Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, C hear our prayer.
- P Holy Father, bless those who come to the holy altar this day to receive the gift of Your Son's very body and blood for the forgiveness of their sins. Through this Holy Sacrament, strengthen and preserve them in body and soul unto life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Heavenly Father, we give You thanks for all the faithful who have gone before us in the hope of eternal life through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and now rest from their labors. Sustain us in that same hope of eternal life through Christ, that we would join them in the feast that never ends when Jesus returns in great glory on the Last Day. Lord, in Your mercy,
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- **C** Amen.

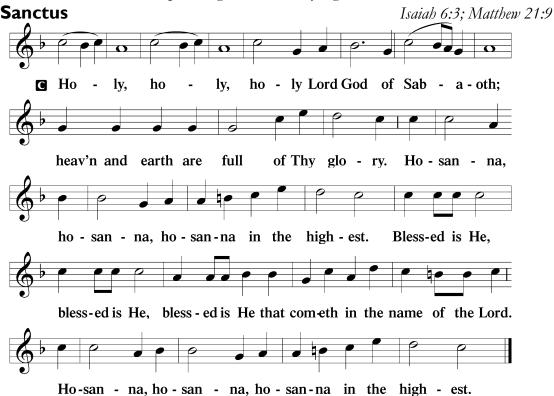
# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them up unto the Lord.
- Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.It is meet and right so to do.

2 Timothy 4:22

- [Colossians 3:1]
- [Psalm 136] [Meet means 'fitting, proper.']

■ 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. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



### 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 Matthew 6:9-13

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

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, [**P**] 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."

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

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Amen.

**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

The peace of the Lord be with you always. P

**Agnus Dei** 

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

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# 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.

We ask all who desire to receive communion to please read the communion statement at the front of the bulletin. For those approaching the Lord's Table this day, we ask you to come individually or by family group.

1 Corinthians 11:23-25

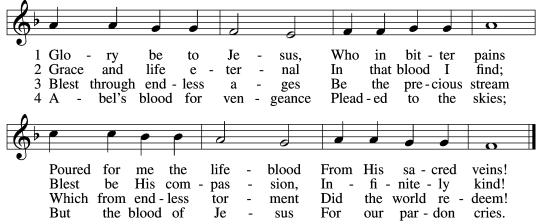
John 1:29

John 20:19

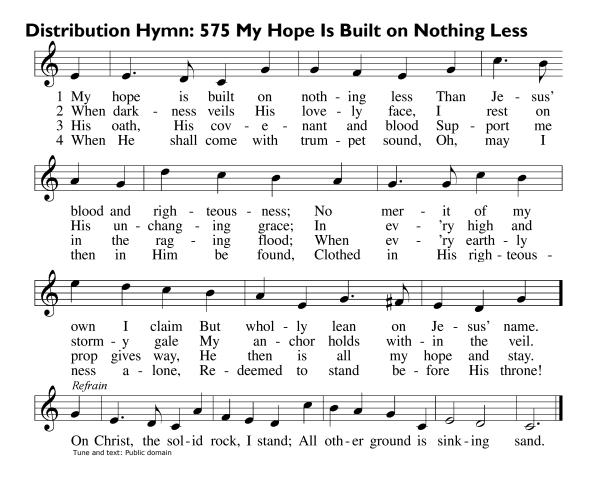
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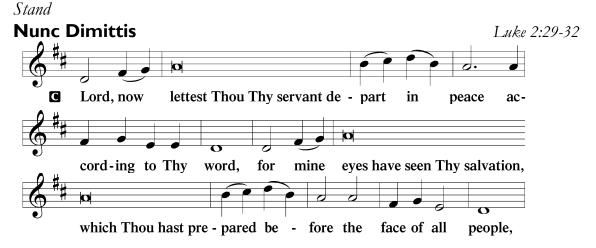
- **C** Amen.

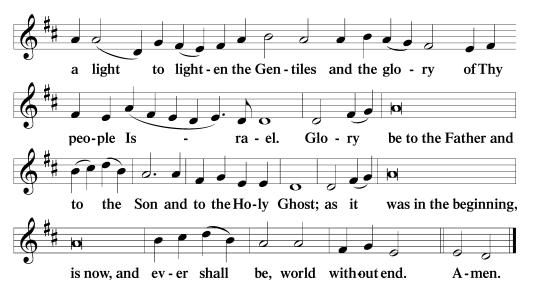
# Distribution Hymn: 433 Glory Be to Jesus



- 5 Oft as earth exulting Wafts its praise on high, Angel hosts rejoicing Make their glad reply.
- 6 Lift we, then, our voices, Swell the mighty flood; Louder still and louder Praise the precious blood! Text and tune: Public domain







### Thanksgiving

Psalm 107:1

- **A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- C and His mercy endureth forever.
- 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. **CAmen.**
- The Lord be with you. **C** And with thy spirit. **P** 2 Timothy 4:22

### **Benedicamus**

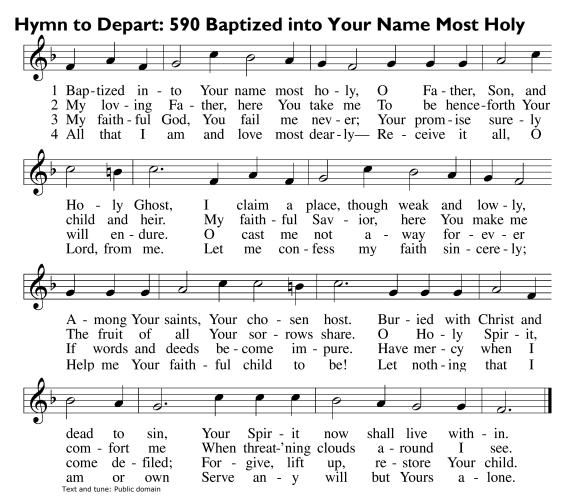
Bless we the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# **Benediction**

- P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.
- С Amen, amen, amen.

Numbers 6:24-26

[Psalm 103:1]



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