Gloria de Cristo
LUTHERAN CHURCH

"A COMMUNITY CHURCH IN THE FOOTHILLS"

MINISTERS: ALL OF OUR PEOPLE
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MISSION STATEMENT

"WALKING WITH JESUS TO BRING NEW LIFE AND HOPE TO EVERY PERSON"

WE ARE A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

PASTOR: DAVID PETERSON

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2026 4:00 P.M.
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2026 8:30 & 10:15 A.M.



We welcome you to the worship of this community of faith.
As we sing, pray and study God's word together may we strengthen each other's faith in the saving power of Jesus Christ. It is difficult to be a Christian by yourself!

When you enter this church, it may be possible that you hear "the call of God". However, it is unlikely that He will call you on your cell phone. Thank you for turning off your phones. If you want to talk to God, enter, choose a quiet place and talk to Him. If you want to see God, send Him a text while driving.

VISITORS.. Welcome! Please sign our Guest Book located in the Narthex. We would love to meet you!

PLEASE REMEMBER… to contact the church office if you or a loved one are hospitalized, in rehab facility, or facility other than your home. Vicars and Stephen Ministers will make a visit.

DID YOU KNOW.. Perfume and cologne can trigger life-threatening breathing emergencies in persons with asthma, allergies and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) Hospitals and schools are becoming 'scent-free' due to this increasing health hazard. Please be sensitive to this concern when coming to church. Thank You.

LITTLE FOLKS.. Parents… please remember that there are 'busy bags' hanging on the coat tree in the Narthex to occupy the little ones during worship. Simply return the bags to the tree on your way out of church. Thank you.

BE COMFORTABLE.. There are shawls in the Narthex that you can use if chilled during worship. Just ask one of the ushers and they will get you one. Simply return the shawl to the narthex on your way out of the church.

Hearing Devices: *The older hearing devices have been moved to the Narthex. They are located next to the far right entrance door to the sanctuary.*

We now offer the T-Coil hearing device with the new sound system. Individuals will need to contact their provider to find out if their hearing aid is telecoil-equipped. If so, they need to ask how to turn on the T-Coil or if it is automatically linked once the loop is around their neck.

FLOWERS for the altar today are given Ray & Lisa Crayne in memory of nephew Wellesley Watrin and daughter Christy Fletcher

PRAYERS: Larry Munsterman, Diane Lee, John Arnold, Jeanie Volpe, Phyllis Nicklesen, Ami Gudjohnson, Tom Duffy, Thomas Alcaraz, Bill Timm, Marie Sadegur, Sue Nasinec, Gina Dombroski (niece of Tom Volpe) Kristian Heidemann, Joann Danielson, Mike (son-in-law of Linda Strand), Marilyn Johnson (friends of Marie Ritten) Meridith Hancock, Jennifer Schaub (niece of Ted/Niki Duffy), Carrie Russo (aunt of Ted/Niki Duffy), Marilyn Z (friend of Lorie Rapp), Jessica Sander (granddaughter of Jim & Linda Byrant), Sharon Hundtoft, Shirley Shilley, Trevor Lake, Mary Marsh, Mason Fletcher (Grandson of Lisa Crayne), Forrest Marsh, Rita (sister of Marlene Miller)
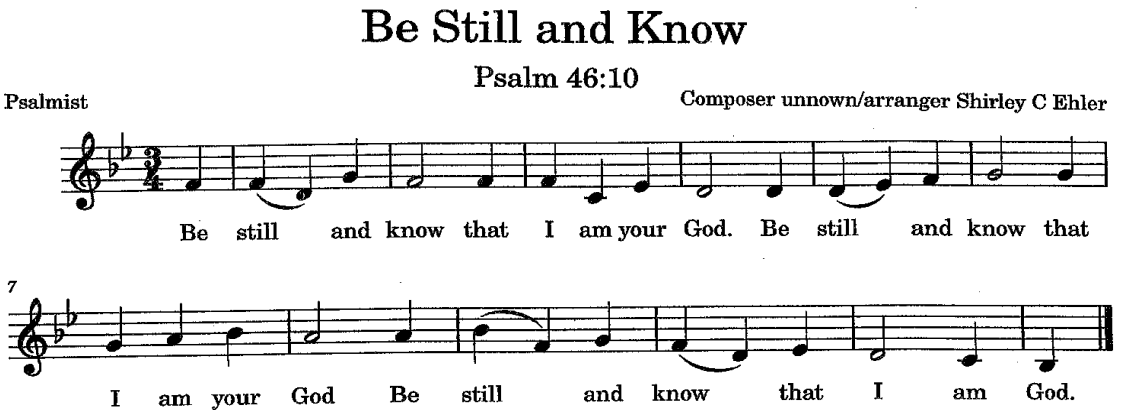
PLEASE NOTE that we'll be using the Nicene Creed & the Contemporary version of the Lord's Prayer for the month of November. God blesses our prayers.

Is Your Phone Turned Off?

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP: Congregation please join in



P With what shall we come before our God?
C With mountains of material possessions?
P God has told us what is good,
C And it is not what we might expect.
P What does God require of us?
C Only that we do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.

P God is Good
C All the time
P All the time
C God is Good

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the Holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose compassion endures forever.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.
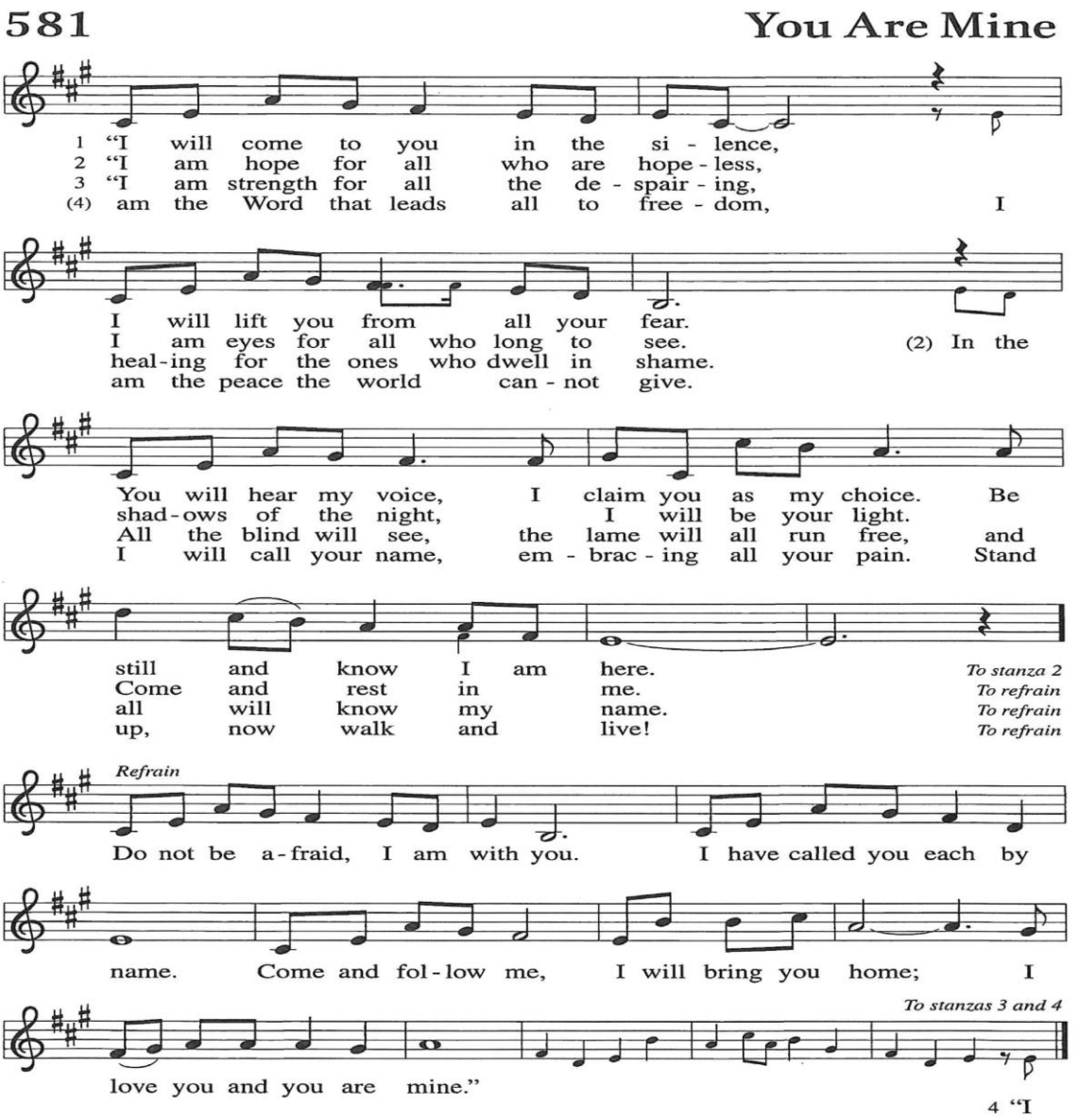
P Loving God,

C We have rebelled against your life-giving reign and raised up worldly kings for ourselves – people, possessions, fame. You have sent us prophets to declare to us the error of our ways and we have despised them, choosing instead to follow false prophets who tell us what we want to hear. We have failed to heed your persistent call to lives of simplicity, love, self-sacrificial service, and commitment to the flourishing of all creation. Forgive us our short-sightedness and self-focus. Draw us back to you, that we might center our lives on our relationship with you, and turn outwards in love for all that you have made.

P Our God still reigns over all that is, and cherishes each of us as beloved children. Know that your sins are forgiven, and go forth in that knowledge to serve and do justice in all the earth. In Jesus' holy name we pray.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN "You Are Mine" ELW 581
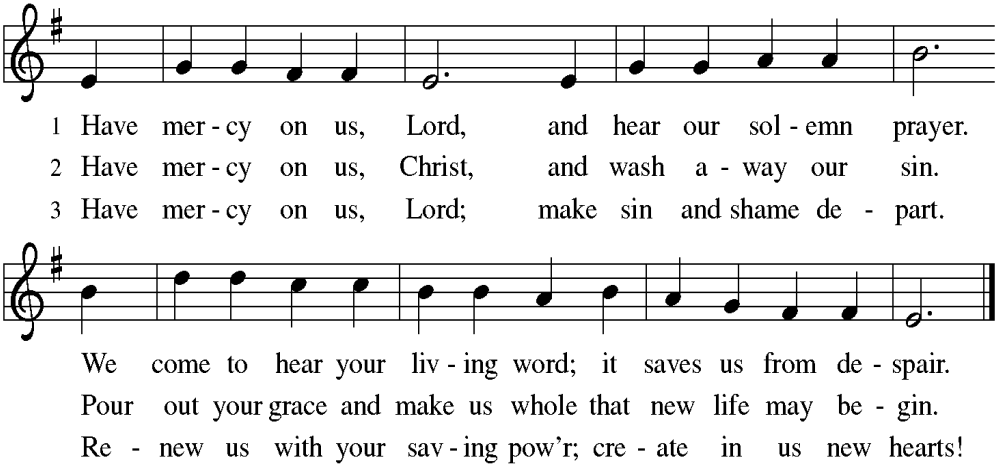


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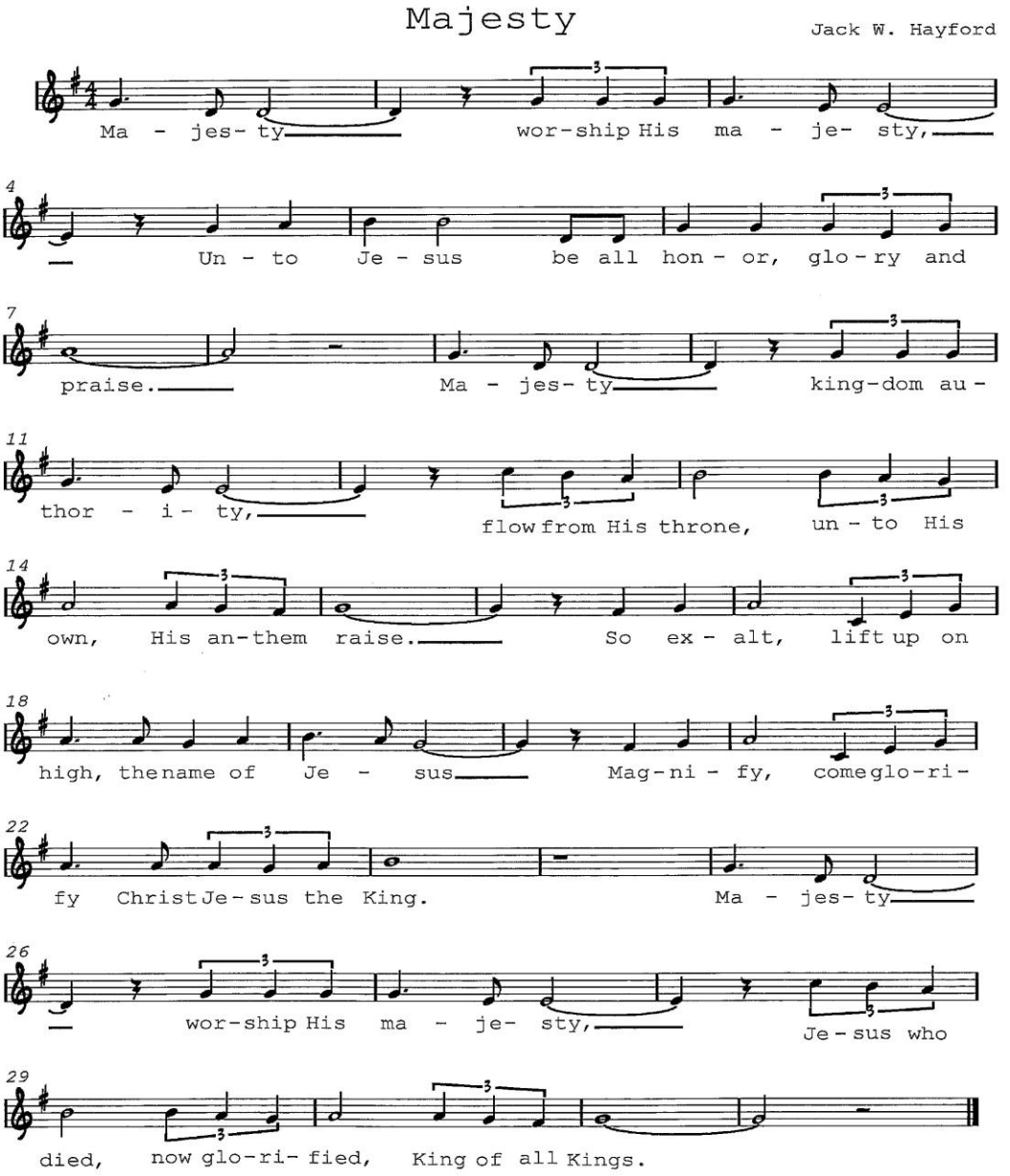
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE



SONG OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY *together we pray:*

P God of promise,

C As the prophet Micah speaks of a coming time of peace, let us also be prophets, not only speaking your words of love and reconciliation to a world in pain, but putting into action our commitment to working for the peace you desire for all of creation. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

P May the peace of the Lord be with you always!

C And also with you

P Please generously share God's peace all around!

WORSHIP MUSIC

Saturday (4)Bells of Glory	"Be Still My Soul"
Sunday (8:30) Choir	"On Eagle's Wings"
*(*10:15)Guitar Ensemble	"I Love To Tell The Story"

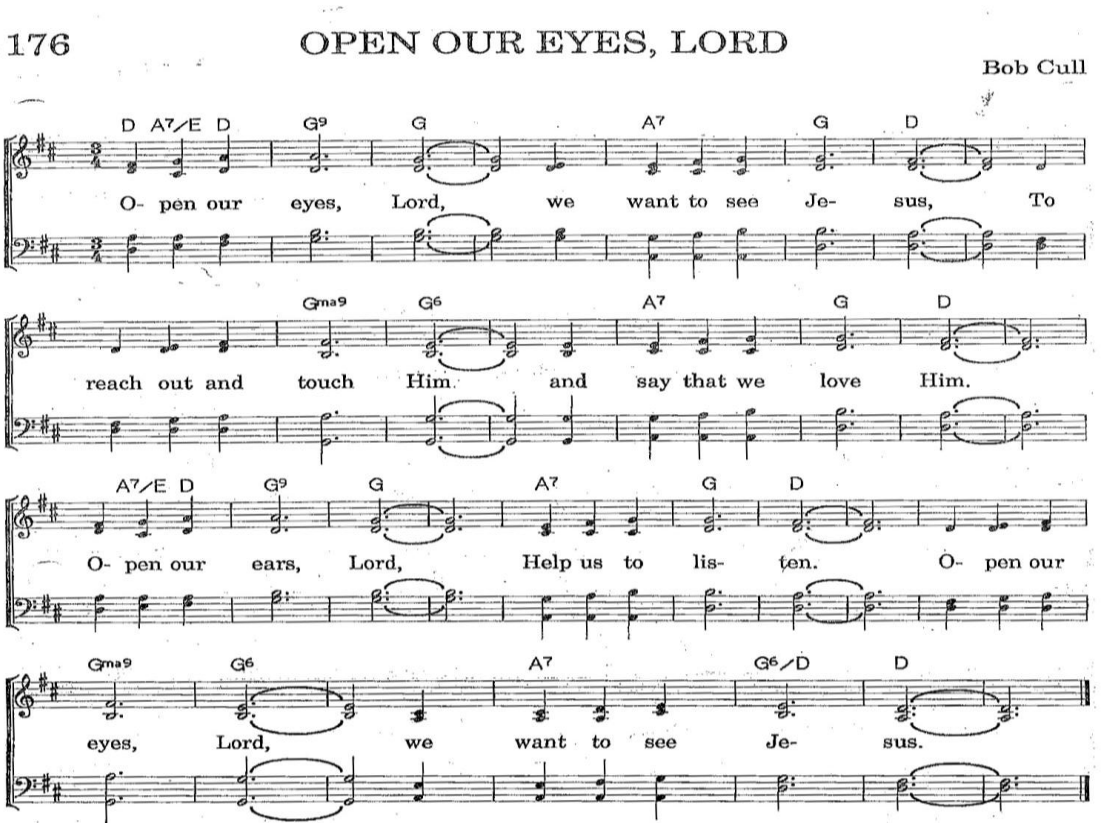
LESSON Micah 1:3-5; 5:2-5a; 6:6-8

For the Lord is coming out of his place and will come down and tread upon
the high places of the earth. 4 Then the mountains will melt under him, and
the valleys will burst open like wax near the fire, like waters poured down a
slope. 5 All this is for the transgression of Jacob and for the sins of the
house of Israel. What is the transgression of Jacob? Is it not Samaria?
And what is the high place[a] of Judah? Is it not Jerusalem?

2[a]But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of
Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose
origin is from of old, from ancient days. **3** Therefore he shall give them up
until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of
his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. **4** And he shall stand and
feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the
Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the
ends of the earth, **5** and he shall be the one of peace.

6If the Assyrians come into our land and tread upon our soil,[b] we will raise
against them seven shepherds and eight rulers. "With what shall I come
before the Lord and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before
him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? **7** Will the Lord be pleased
with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my
firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"
8 He has told you, O mortal, what is good, and what does the Lord require
of you but to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your
God?

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL Matthew 9:13
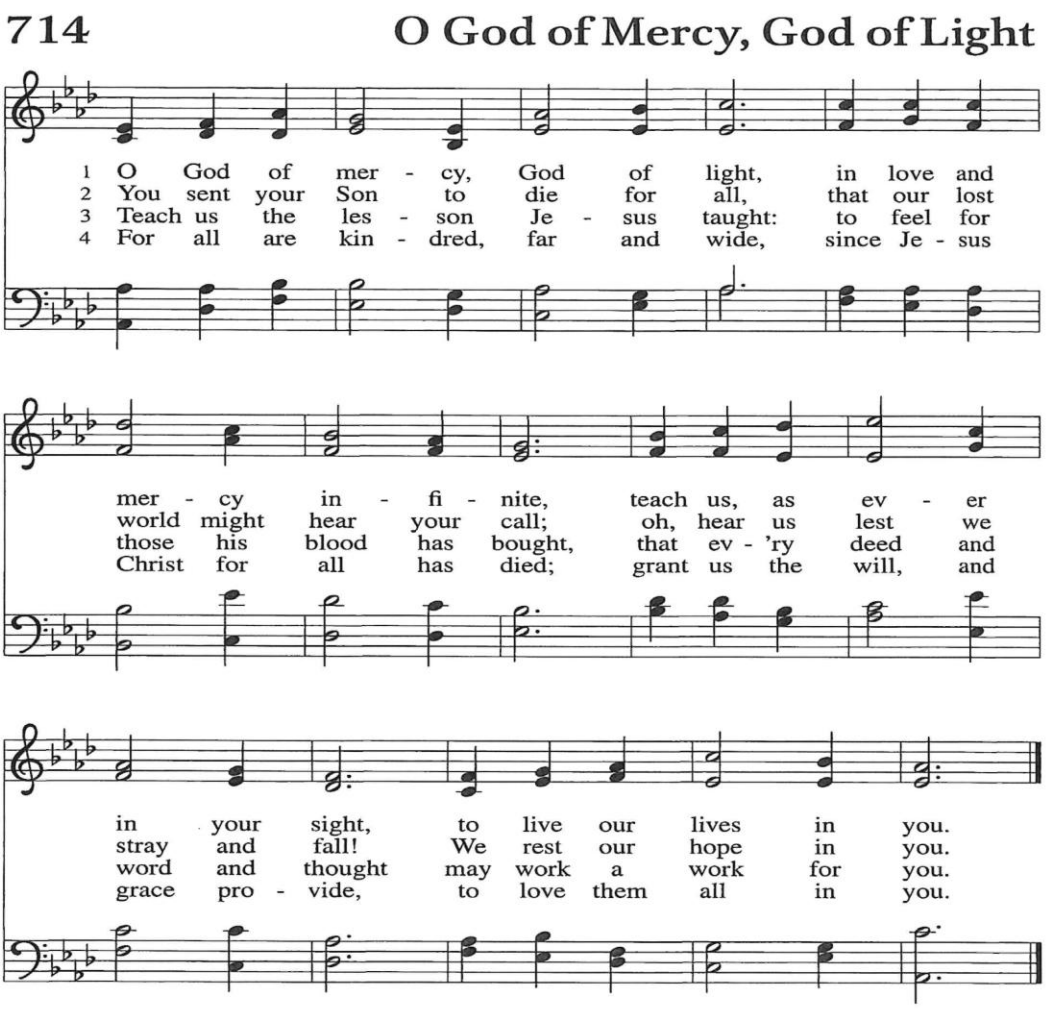
13 Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners."

P The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to the Lord

TEACHING: *"Faith Is A Verb"* Pastor David Peterson

HYMN OF THE DAY "O God of Mercy, God of Light" ELW 714



5 In sickness, sorrow, want, or care,
may we each other's burdens share;
may we, where help is needed, there
give help as though to you.

6 And may your Holy Spirit move
all those who live to live in love,
till you receive in heav'n above
all those who live in you.

Text: Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, alt.
Music: Joseph Barnby, 1838–1896; arr. hymnal version
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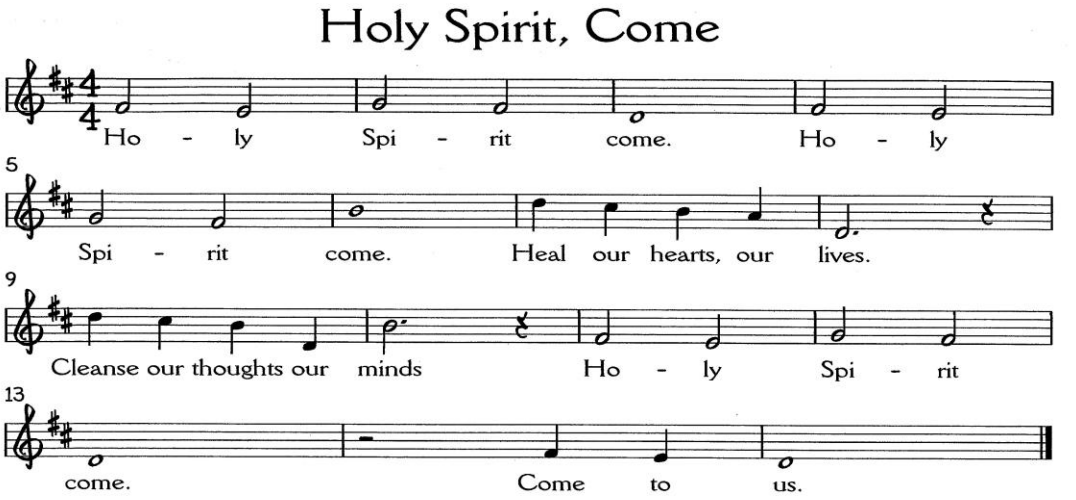
We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER INVOCATION



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Trusting in God's benevolent rule over creation, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

P Make this simple passage from Micah the guiding principle of all who lead – justice, kindness, and humility—that they might measure their effectiveness in their work on behalf of those they serve by how well they carry these principles out. God of mercy,

C You hear our prayer.

P May we walk humbly alongside and treat with loving kindness all who are journeying with sickness, injury, addiction, mental illness, grief, and other infirmities, especially those we remember in our hearts. God of mercy,

C You hear our prayer.

Here other petitions may be offered. Together we pray

C Bless Your Church. Bless the Vicars in your church. Purify, preserve & provide through your Holy Spirit. We pray for each of our mission congregations, the Grand Canyon Synod, local partners, and care ministries. We also pray for the congregation's vision process. May we continue to work toward our mission and uphold our values.

We also pray for Pastor Dave Peterson whom God has called to Gloria de Cristo to work with us to move this congregation forward in mission. Enlarge our hearts toward people far from God while we "Walk with Jesus to bring new life and hope to every person."

P Give all who lead the humility to recognize their own limitations and the promise of your restoring grace and power. Inspire them to find joy in the work of serving others. God of mercy,

C You hear our prayer.

P Relieve us of the bondage of guilt and shame, O God – those voices that tell us we are not good enough, that we have not done enough, that we have not sacrificed enough. Keep us ever mindful that in you, we are enough, and that your desire is simply to be in relationship with us. God of mercy,

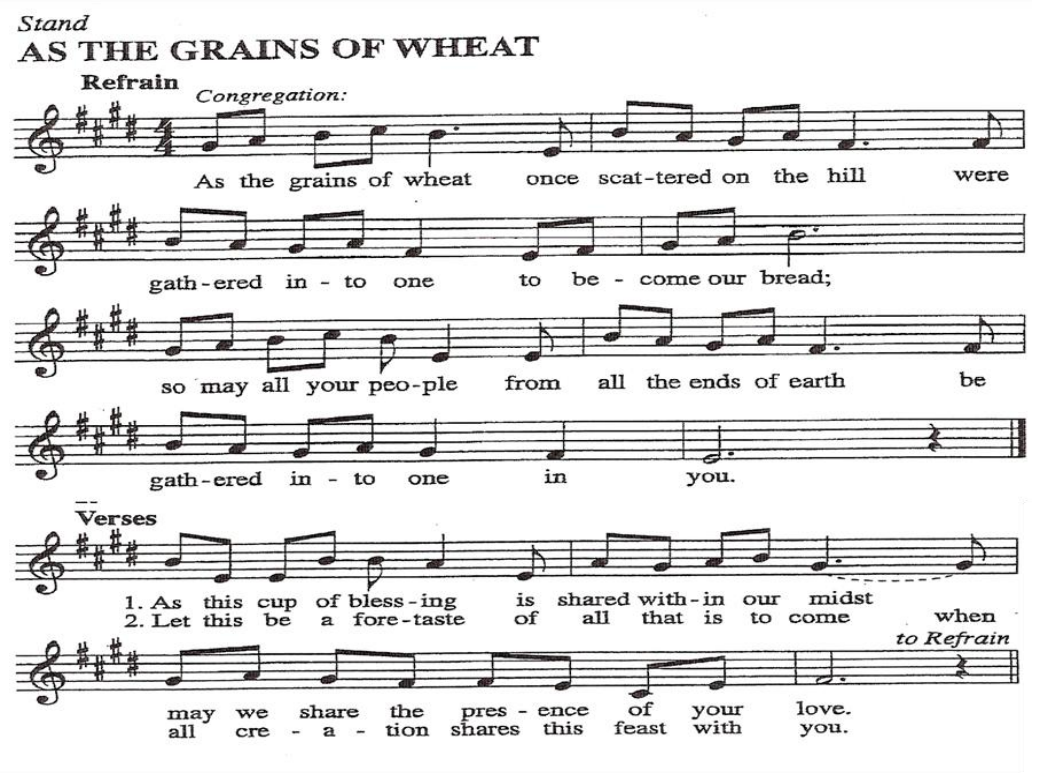
C You hear our prayer.

P Sovereign God, we lift these prayers to you, and have faith that all things are in your hands.

C Amen

THE OFFERING (For those watching there is a link for online giving in the description of the video. We are thankful for all the support from both in-person giving as well as online giving.)

OFFERING RESPONSE *(please stand)*



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

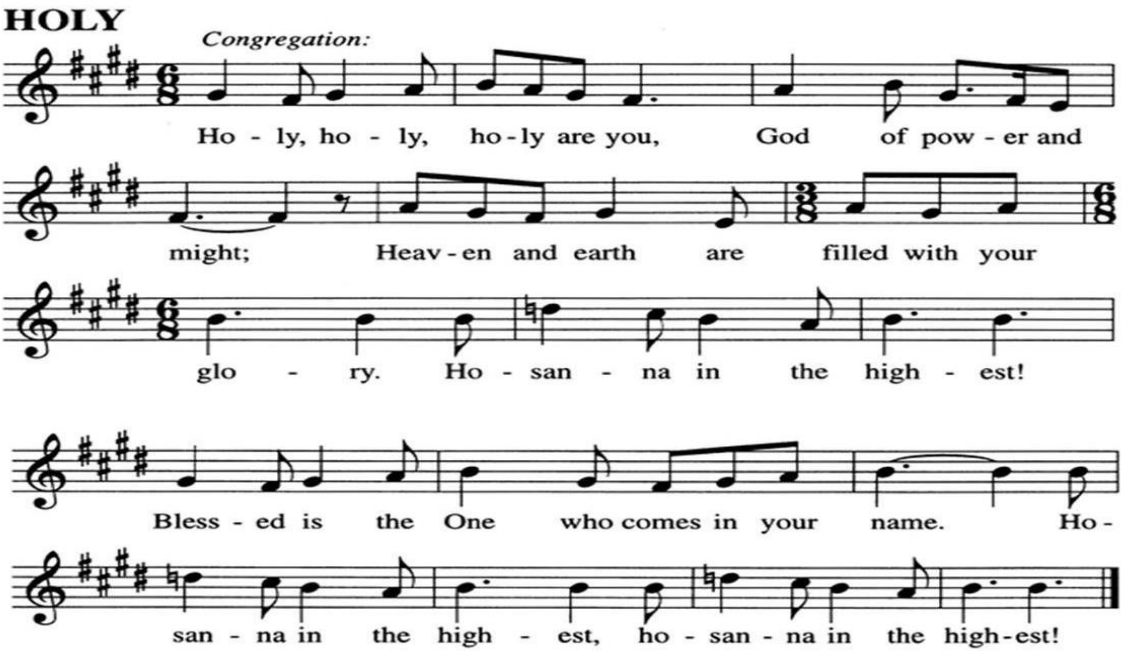
P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is our duty and delight that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, O God, through Jesus Christ, who calls us to follow his way of humble service and love, and so with the church on earth, all creation and the host of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world, you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.
We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.
Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION
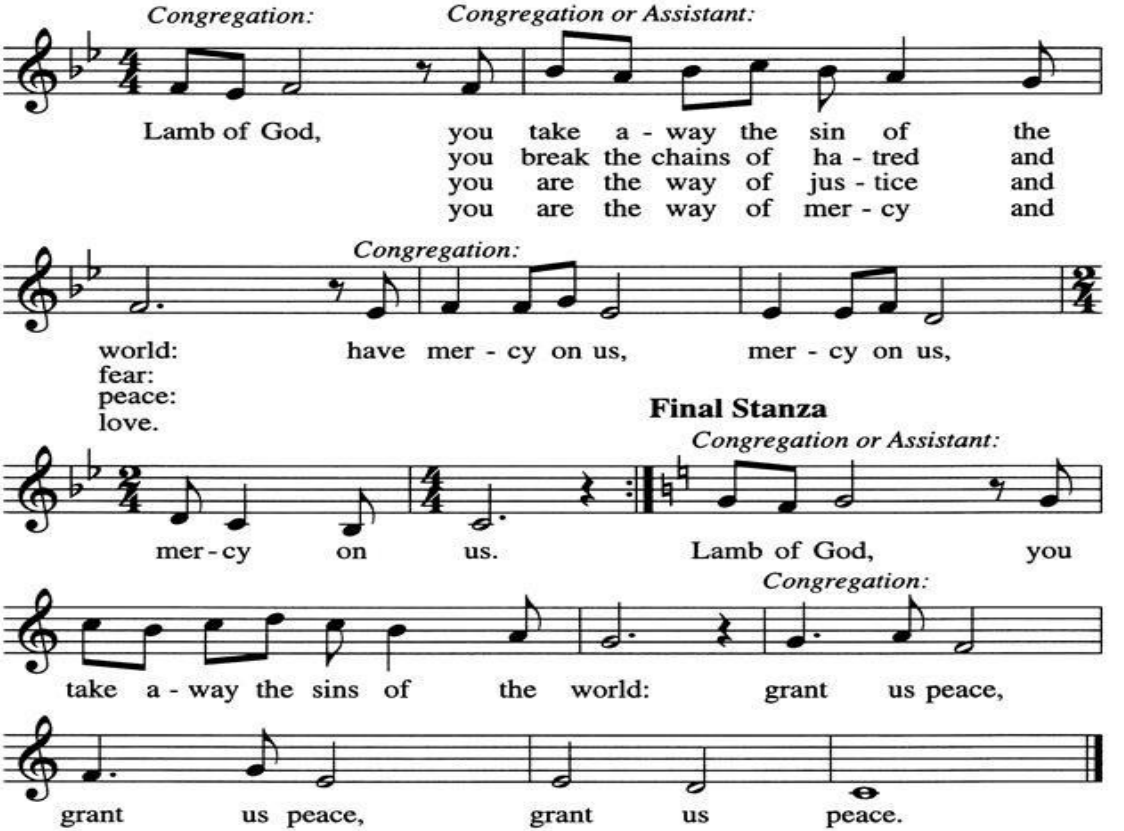
Communion is open to all baptized believers who know Jesus as Savior and seek to live with him as Lord of all areas of life. You receive the wafer in your hand and choose from the individual cup of wine or white grape juice**. Those who are not communing as well as children may come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms in front of your chest to receive a blessing**. Everyone should complete a slip found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Consider the options on reverse side as to how you may serve this congregation.

THE LORD'S PRAYER
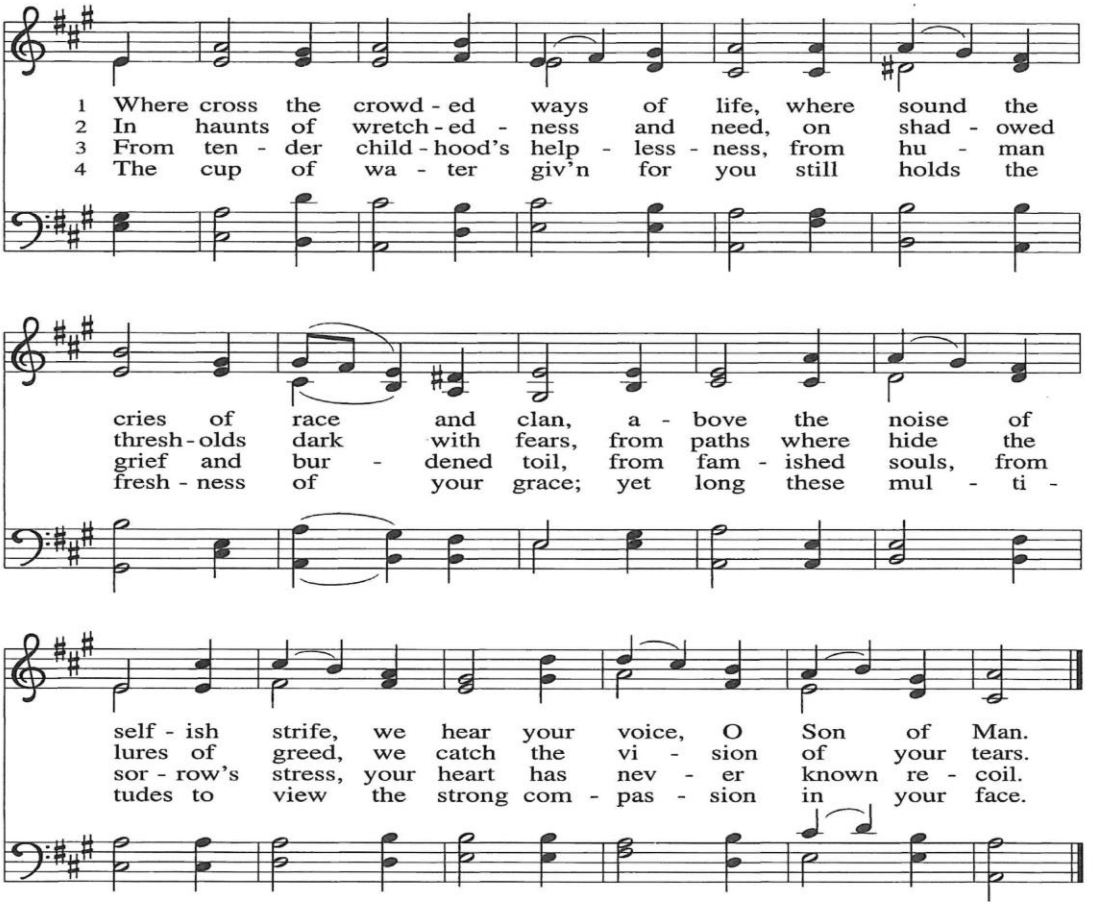
C **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen**

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD



719 Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life
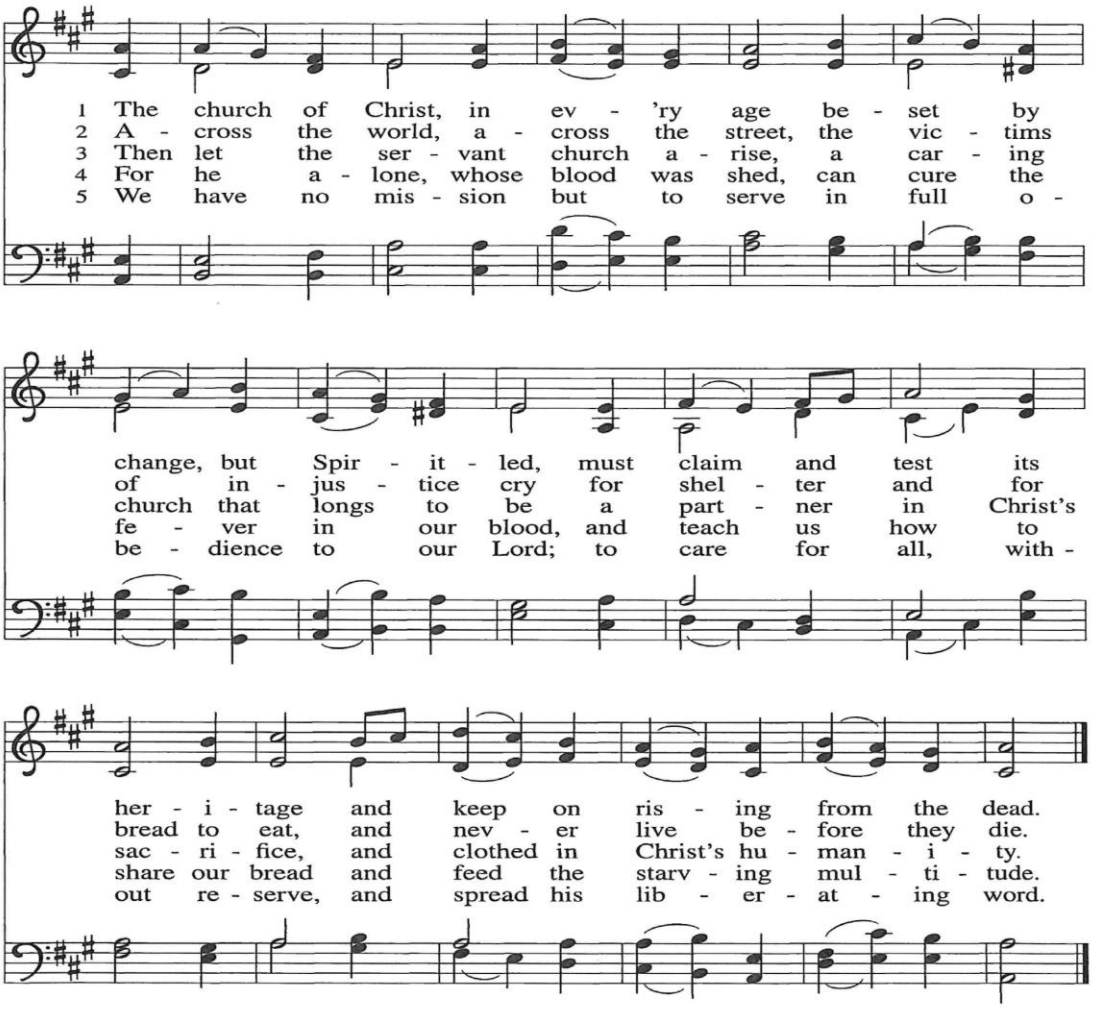


5 O Master, from the mountainside
make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
among these restless throngs abide;
oh, tread the city's streets again;

6 Till all the world shall learn your love,
and follow where your feet have trod;
till glorious from your heav'n above
shall come the city of our God.

Text: Frank M. North, 1850–1935, alt.
Music: W. Gardiner, *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

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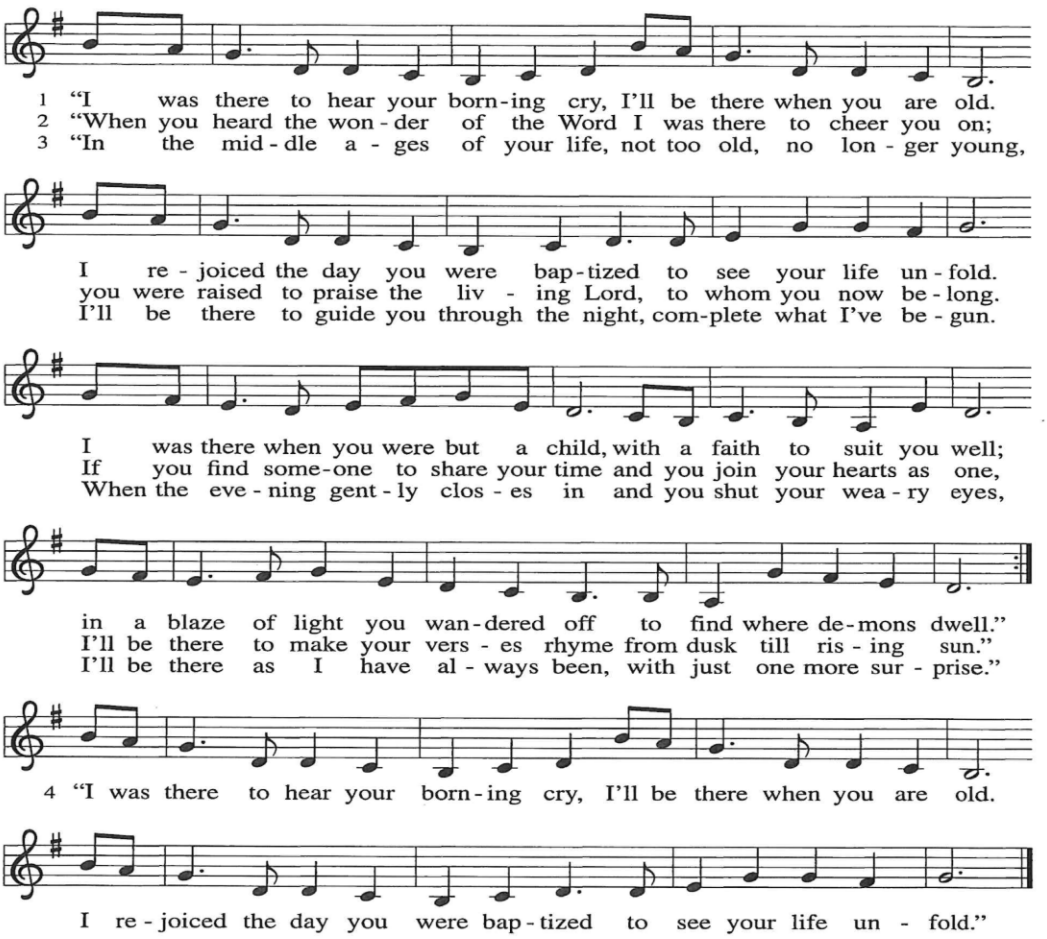
729 The Church of Christ, in Every Age



Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000
Music: William Knapp, 1698–1768
Text © 1971 Hope Publishing Company

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Borning Cry 732



Text: John C. Ylvisaker, b. 1937
Music: John C. Ylvisaker
Text and music © 1985 John C. Ylvisaker

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POST COMMUNION BLESSING *(please stand)*

P **T**he Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you safe in His Grace until everlasting life.

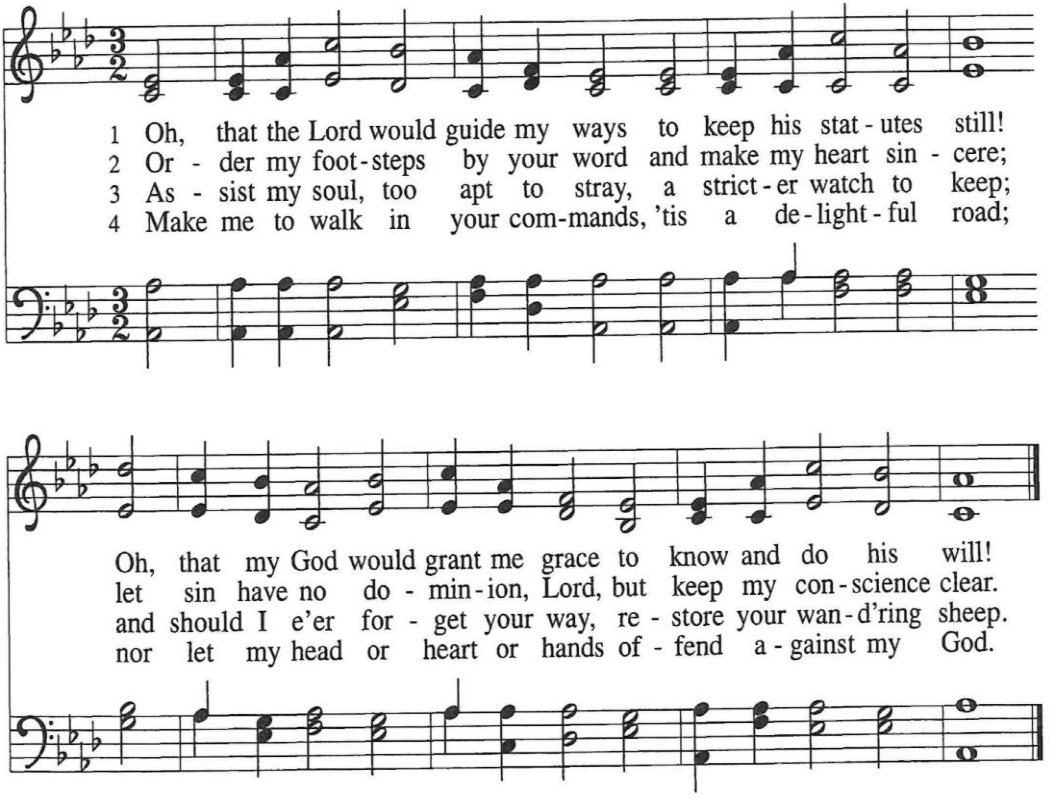
C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(together we pray)*

C Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.

SENDING HYMN "Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways" ELW 772

Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways 772 [H]



Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.

EVAN

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you with grace and mercy,
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace

C Amen.

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace, serve the Lord

C Thanks be to God!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GIFTS: Social Concerns will be accepting gifts for foster children starting November 1 through November 29. We are helping sponsor 23 foster, children ages 2 weeks-18 years. Please place **unwrapped gifts** in the boxes in the narthex. Take a star from the tree in the narthex to give you some ideas. Thank you for your generosity.

Just a heads up, Good Gifts project for ELCA global missions. We will be accepting donations from December 5 - 13. Your purchase of an animal or another resource will benefit global missions. A few volunteers are needed to accept donations at each service on those weekends. Contact Evelyn Trone or Carol Schock if you can help.

STEPHEN MINISTRY RETREAT: All Stephen Ministers are encouraged to attend a retreat/luncheon on Thursday, November 19th from 11 am-1 pm at Izzie's Diner on Foothills Blvd. It's an opportunity to share fellowship and discuss our 2026-27 schedule. We will also be having a very brief continuing education discussion around chapter 1 of the book entitled, "Don't Sing Songs to a Heavy heart". If you don't have a copy of this book, let us know. We hope to see all Stephen Ministers there!



Thanksgiving Dinner: We will be serving dinner at 12 pm on Thursday, November 26 for anyone interested. We are providing the turkey & gravy and mashed potatoes. We are asking you to provide the sides for the meal. Please complete the form in the pew rack and place in the offering if you plan to attend.

Aluminum Cans: As you know, Gloria de Cristo recycles aluminum cans ONLY. I have an automatic can crusher that I use to smash them so I would appreciate if you would leave your can whole and let me do the crushing. Please bring them as you see in the left photo and **do not** crush them as you see in the right photo. They will only jam in the crusher which makes it a difficult job for me. Thanks for your help in making my job simpler, *David Donaldson*

Surviving the Holidays Seminar: Saturday November 21, 2026. At Gloria de Cristo in the Fellowship Hall. Registration 9am -9:45am, program begins at @ 10:00 am to 12:00pm. Snacks will be provided.
If you or someone you know is grieving the death of a person close to them, please invite them to join us for this seminar. It can help to ease anxiety of the upcoming holidays. It gives practical tips on how to deal with the added stress that comes with the season. There is a $7.00 charge for the booklet that is provided.

MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES: **"A Jubilant Song"**, AWC Chamber Singers & Yuma Chorale. November 20 7 pm, St. Paul's Episcopal Church.
'**Fall Band Concert**, November 23, 7 pm, AWC Yuma Campus, Schoening Center

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR & BAKE SALE: If you are making crafts at home, you can bring them to the craft workshop **no later than November 26th** between 9-11 am so they can be priced. You can call or text Nancy Griffiths at 816-628-5741 if you have questions.

We can't stress enough the need for baked goods for this year's sale so be thinking about making your favorite recipe for cookies, pies, bread, cheesecake, mini loaves (banana, spice, nut, etc.), fudge, cakes, muffins, lefse and if you have a special recipe for baked goods that have been a part of your family history, we'd appreciate those also.

When you make your items, please package them as follows:

Bread: Plastic wrap with listing of any ingredients such as NUTS, COCONUT, DATES, etc. that people might be allergic to.

Cookies: 2/pkg. in a snack bag, unless small like spritz, them 4-6. List allergic items

Candy: 2-4 pieces in snack bag. List allergic items.

Muffins: Regular size 2/pkg. in ziplock bag. List allergic items

Cakes: Plastic wrap

Pies: Plastic wrap

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Altar	Ushers	Greeter/Comm.	Readers	AV
11/14	Char	T. Martin/T. Jarmer	Brian & Janis Suess	Jerry Taylor	Dave/Char
11/15	Char	Michelle Gorcester/Char	Jan Klipfel/T. Hoffman	N. Griffiths	Linda/Michele
11/15	Niki	Rick & Barbara Sherwood	Larry & Shirley Shilley	S. Weidling	Ted/Niki
11/21	Nancy	Bob & Judy Zeiss	Dave/Marge Graham		Gary/Linda
11/22	Char	Sharon Powell/	Jim & Linda Bryant	Linda Strand	Char/Dave
11/22	Joane	Dave & Lynda Steinman	Lisa Crayne/Char	Sherrie Wehrer	Michele/Dave

Attendance: November 7 = 53

November 8 (8:30) 81; (10:15) 55 = Total of 189

ON-GOING ACTIVITIES

Service

Monthly Potluck: The 1st Sunday is our monthly Potluck following worship. Mark your calendar, bring your favorite dish to share and join us for fellowship and food.

Food Pantry: 1st Sunday of each month we collect food for the local Food Pantry. When doing your shopping consider picking up a couple of items to bring and donate.

Women's Breakfast Club 1st Saturday of each month, 8 am at Izzies on Foothills Blvd. All ladies of the congregation are welcome to attend.

Men's Breakfast the 2nd Saturday of each month, 8 am at Izzies on Foothills Blvd. All gentlemen of the congregation are invited to come.

Days for Girls: will meet the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of each month @ 9 am in Fellowship Hall. Come join us for fellowship and fun

GriefShare: Sunday's, 12:15 pm, Fellowship Classroom

Bazaar Craft Workshop: every Thursday, 9 am, Fellowship Hall

Arts and Craft Social: Friday's, 10 am in Fellowship Hall.

Reading and Learning

New Testament Bible Study: every Monday @ 1 pm, Fellowship Classroom
Coffee With Jesus: every Tuesday @ 9 am, Fellowship Hall

Prayer Fellowship: Every Thursday @ 10 am, in the Sanctuary

Old Testament Bible Study: 'Our Mess, God's Message', every Thursday @ 3 pm, Fellowship Classroom

Fun and Fellowship

Line Dance Exercise: every Wednesday, 9 am, Fellowship Hall

Chair Aerobics : Classes are held every Tuesday, (12:30 pm), Wednesday(12:00 pm), and Thursday (11:30 am) in Fellowship Hall. A donation of $5/session is appreciated to offset the cost of the instructor. Everyone is welcome.

Social Bingo: 2nd Saturday of each month @ 1 pm, Fellowship Hall

Movie Nite: 4th Thursday of each month @ 4 pm, Fellowship Hall (NO MOVIE IN NOVEMBER OR DECEMBER BECAUSE OF THE HOLIDAYS)

CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Mon. 11/16	9 am	Glorious Quilters	Fellowship Hall
Mon. 11/16	11 am	Alanon	Fellowship Classroom
Mon. 11/16	1 pm	Bible Study (Acts) NT Bible Study	Fellowship Classroom
Tues. 11/17	9 am	Coffee With Jesus	Fellowship Hall
Tues. 11/17	11:-00 am	Coffee Club	Fellowship Hall
Tues. 11/17	12:30 pm	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Tues. 11/17	4:00 pm	Church Council	Fellowship Classroom
Tues. 11/17	6:30 pm	Fireside	Fellowship Classroom
Wed. 11/18	9 am	Line dance exercise	Fellowship Hall
Wed. 11/18	12 pm	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Wed. 11/18	4:45 pm	Bells of Glory	Sanctuary
Wed. 11/18	5:45 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Thurs. 11/19	9 am	Bazaar Craft Workshop	Fellowship Hall
Thurs. 11/19	10 am	Prayer Fellowship	Sanctuary
Thurs. 11/19	11 am	Stephen Ministry Retreat	Izzies on Foothills Blvd.
Thurs. 11/19	11:30 am	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Thurs. 11/19	3 pm	Our Mess-God's Message (OT Bible Study)	Fellowship Classroom
Thurs. 11/19	5:15 pm	Guitar Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Thurs. 11/19	6:30 pm	Fireside	Fellowship Classroom
Friday 11/20	10:30 am	Spanish/English Conversation	Fellowship Classroom
Friday 11/20	10 am	Arts and Crafts Social	Fellowship Hall
Sat. 11/21	8-10 am	Yard Sale Drop-Off	By Containers
Sat. 11/21	9 am	Surviving The Holidays	Fellowship Hall
Sat. 11/21	**4 pm**	**Worship with Communion**	**Sanctuary**
Sunday 11/22	**8:30 am**	**Worship with Communion**	**Sanctuary**
Sunday 11/22	**10:15 am**	**Worship with Communion**	**Sanctuary**
Sunday 11/22	12:15 pm	GriefShare	Fellowship Classroom
Sunday 11/22	1 pm	Foothills Social Group	Fellowship Hall

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