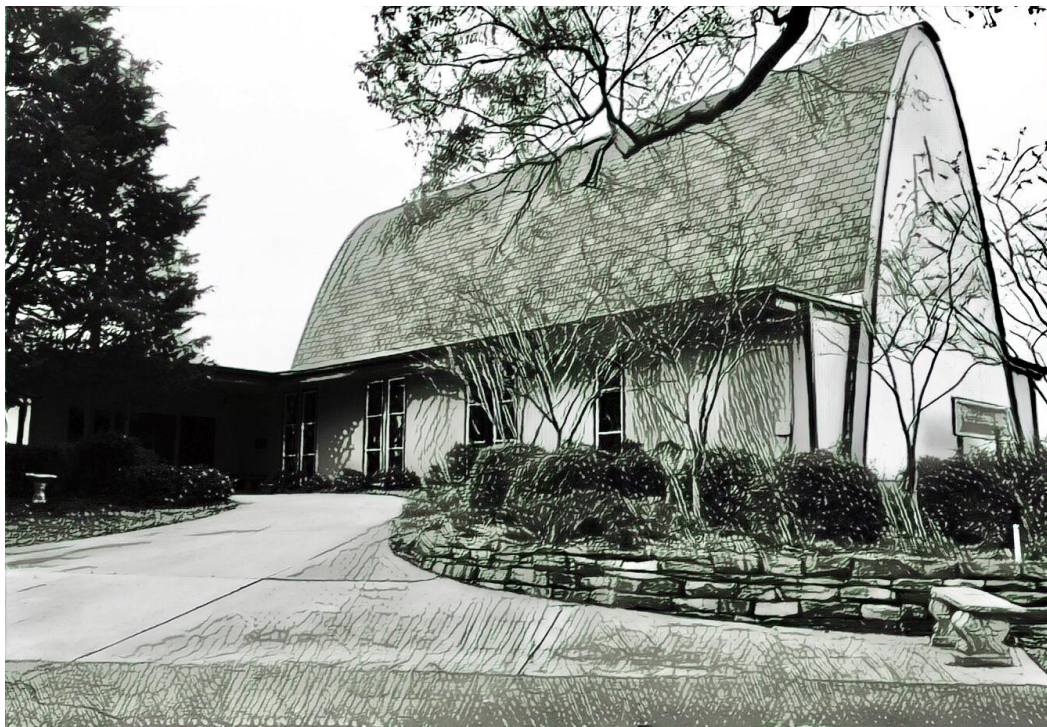


# CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH



**Rev. George Fields, Pastor**

Divine Service Each Week with Holy Communion: **10:30 a.m.**

Sunday School for all ages: **9:00 a.m.**

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# THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

+ November 17, 2024 +

## *“The One Who Endures”*



We welcome our members and guests to Christ Lutheran today, and pray God’s richest blessings upon you during this time of worship!

*All members and our guests are asked to complete the worship attendance pads which can be found on each pew. Guests are also asked to sign the guest register found in the Narthex. We are so glad to have you worshiping with us today!*

*LARGE PRINT worship folders are available at the usher stand at the back of the nave.*

### **WELCOME:**

“Therefore, the Lord exhorts us to wait with patient and reverent faith until the end comes, for ‘*blessed is he that endures to the end.*’ It is neither a blessed nothingness that awaits us, nor is nonexistence its fruit, nor annihilation the appointed reward of faith. Rather the end is the final attainment of the promised blessedness.”

–Hilary of Poitiers, *On the Trinity*

# THE LORD'S SUPPER

In preparation for reception of the Lord's Supper (*Holy Communion*), it is important that we review and understand what the Bible teaches regarding this sacrament:

The Bible teaches that Jesus gives us His very body and blood along with bread and wine in Holy Communion<sup>1</sup>, and that these are means by which He forgives our sins<sup>2</sup>, and strengthens us for daily living, and draws us into closer fellowship with Him and other believers. The Bible also teaches us to examine ourselves prior to receiving the meal<sup>3</sup>. For those receiving Holy Communion, examine yourself with these questions:

**Do I believe that I am a sinner and I am sorry for my sins?**

**Do I believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and my personal Savior?**

**Do I believe that Christ's true body and blood are present in this holy meal for my forgiveness?**

**Do I truly intend with the help of God to correct my sinful life?**

According to Christ's Word in the Holy Scriptures, and in confession with the true Christian faith, at Christ Lutheran we observe the practice of closed communion. We believe that all who commune must confess the same holy faith, as Holy Scripture teaches. Since one's church affiliation indicates an individual's confession of faith, we ask that only those who have been instructed in the above teaching **and** are confirmed members of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod commune. If you have not been instructed in this teaching on Holy Communion, are in doubt, or hold a different confession of faith<sup>4</sup>, you are still welcome to come forward and cross your arms to indicate that you would like a blessing.

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<sup>1</sup>Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:14-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23

<sup>2</sup>Matthew 26:28; 1 John 1:7; 1 Peter 1:18-19

<sup>3</sup>1 Corinthians 11:28-32

<sup>4</sup>1 Corinthians 10:17; 1 Corinthians 11:26

# DIVINE SERVICE III

## PRESERVICE MUSIC

*The congregation may use this time for prayer and meditation.*

## OPENING HYMN

**Herald, Sound the Note of Judgment**

#511

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

*Please stand. 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.

**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.

**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.**

*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.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

PSALM: CONSERVA ME, DOMINE

*Psalm 16; Ant. Ps. 16 :11*



You make known to me the | path of life;\*  
in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.

**Preserve me, | O God,\*  
for in you I take | refuge.**

**I say to the Lord, “You | are my Lord;\*  
I have no good a- | part from you.”**

As for the saints | in the land,\*  
they are the excellent ones, in whom is all | my delight.

The sorrows of those who run after another god shall | multiply;\*  
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out; take their names | on my lips.

**The Lord is my chosen portion | and my cup;\*  
you | hold my lot.**

**The lines have fallen for me in pleasant | places;\*  
indeed, I have a beautiful in- | heritance.**

I bless the Lord who gives me | counsel;\*  
in the night also my heart in- | structs me.

I have set the Lord always be- | fore me;\*  
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be | shaken.

**Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being re- | joices;\*  
my flesh also | dwells secure.**

**For you will not abandon my soul | to Sheol,\*  
or let your holy one see cor- | ruption.**

**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.**

You make known to me the | path of life;\*  
in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.

## KYRIE

Mark 10:47

*The congregation is invited to sing in parts:*

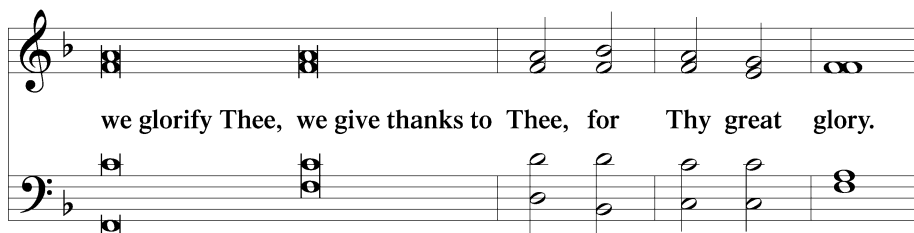
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

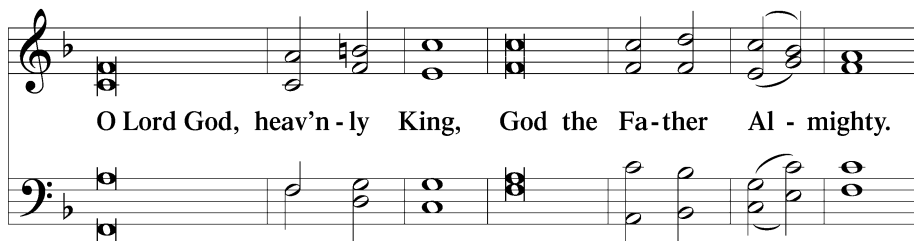
Luke 2:14; John 1:29

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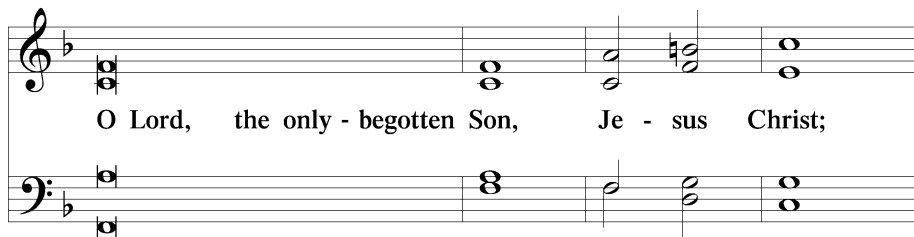
Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward  
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



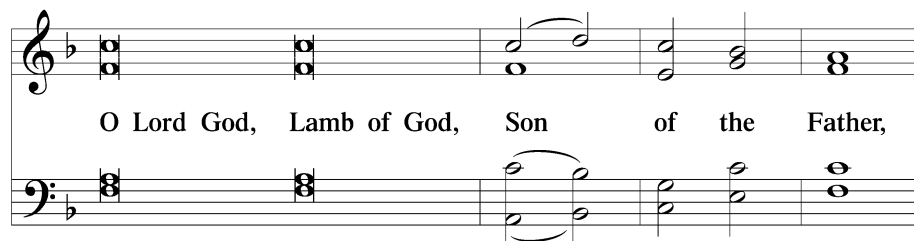
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



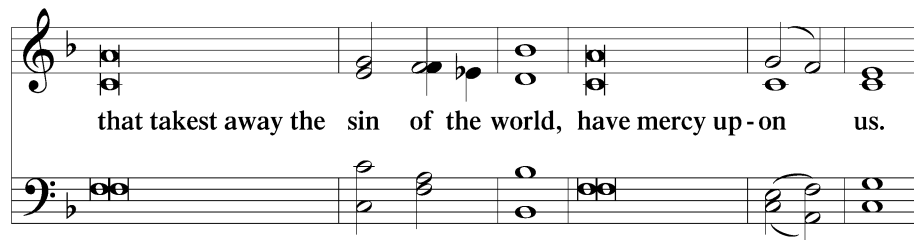
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al-mighty.



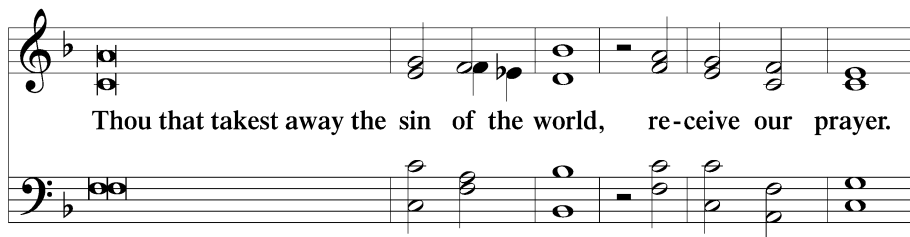
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



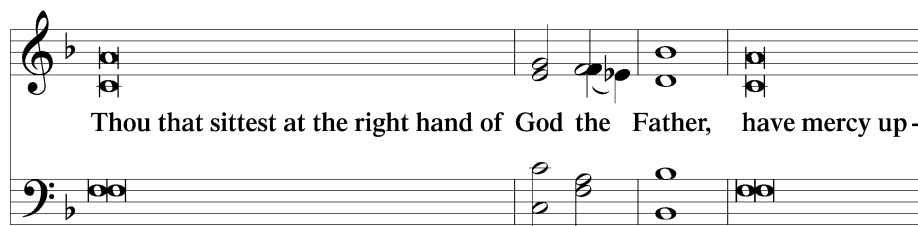
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



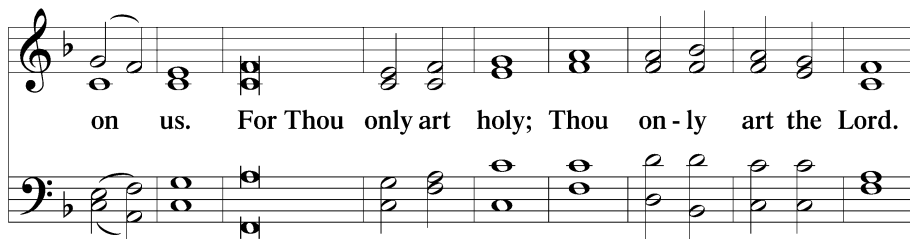
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



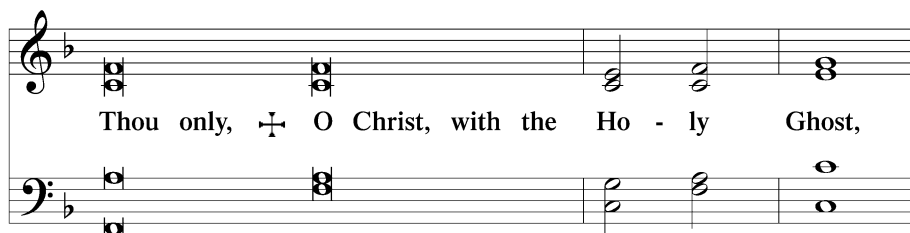
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.




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.



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



**P** Let us pray.

**P** O Lord, by Your bountiful goodness release us from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our weakness we have brought upon ourselves, that we may stand firm until the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Please be seated*

### OLD TESTAMENT

*Daniel 12:1-3*

“At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.



*Please stand*

### ALLELUIA

Musical score for Alleluia, featuring a treble and bass clef staff with lyrics: Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

### HOLY GOSPEL

*Mark 13:1-13*

**P** The Holy ✝ Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

Musical score for Holy Gospel, featuring a treble and bass clef staff with lyrics: Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!” And Jesus said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.”

And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?” And Jesus began to say to them, “See that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains.

“But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them. And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak,

but the Holy Spirit. And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death. And you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Musical notation for the hymn "Praise be to Thee, O Christ." The notation is in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The lyrics "Praise be to Thee, O Christ." are written below the treble clef staff. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final cadence.

*Please be seated*

**OFFICE HYMN**

**Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus**

**#685**

**SERMON**

*Fear*

*Please stand*

## NICENE CREED

**C** **I believe in one God,** (Rom 10:10; Deut 6:4)  
**the Father Almighty,** (Mt 6:9; Ex 6:3)  
**maker of heaven and earth** (Gen 1:1; Jn 1:1)  
**and of all things visible and invisible.** (Col 1:16)  
**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,** (Rom 10:9)  
**the only-begotten Son of God,** (Jn 3:16; Mt 16:16)  
**begotten of His Father before all worlds,** (Jn 1:2)  
**God of God, Light of Light,** (Jn 17:22; Jn 8:12; Jn 1:1)  
**very God of very God,** (Col 2:9) **begotten, not made,** (Jn 1:2)  
**being of one substance with the Father,** (Jn 10:30)  
**by whom all things were made;** (Heb 1:2; Jn 1:3)  
**who for us men and for our salvation** (1 Tim 2:4; Rom 3:23)  
**came down from heaven** (Jn 6:41; Lk 15:20)  
**and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary** (Lk 1:34-35)  
**and was made man;** (Jn 1:14)  
**and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.** (Mk 15:25; Jn 19:16-18)  
**He suffered and was buried.** (Jn 19:1-3; Lk 23:53)  
**And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures** (1 Cor 15:4; Lk 24:6)  
**and ascended into heaven** (Acts 1:9)  
**and sits at the right hand of the Father.** (Acts 7:55)  
**And He will come again with glory** (Mt 26:64)  
**to judge both the living and the dead,** (Acts 10:42; Mt 3:12)  
**whose kingdom will have no end.** (2 Pt 1:11)  
**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,** (Jn 14:26; Gen 1:2; Acts 2:38)  
**the Lord and giver of life,** (Gen 1:2; Jn 3:6)  
**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,** (Jn 15:26)  
**who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,** (Mt 3:16-17)  
**who spoke by the prophets.** (Eze 11:5)  
**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,** (1 Pt 2:5; Eph 2:19-22)  
**I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,** (Eph 4:5)  
**and I look for the resurrection of the dead** (1 Cor 15:35-49; 1 Thess 4:13-18)  
**and the life** ✠ **of the world to come.** (Mk 10:29-30; Mt 10:40-42)  
**Amen.** (Ps 106:48)

*Us men* means all people.

*Christian:* the ancient text reads “catholic,” meaning the whole Church as it confesses the wholeness of Christian doctrine.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*After each petition of the prayer:*

Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

*For comfort, health, and recovery:* **Blair Alford, Gary Atchley, Donna Carson, Marie Ferderer & Child, Faye Hartman, Nancy Jones, Mary O’Gwynn, Lily Smith, Sherri Smith, Eloise Springer, Nicole Tatum, Donny Thomas, Leslie Thomas;**

*For those who mourn:* the family and friends of **Percy Ray Chandler, Kesli Stinson;**

*For those who are ill or distressed:* **Jenalee Adams, Blair Alford, Layne Bagley, Shirley Bagley, W.L. Bagley, Sarah Bowman, Deloris Brent, Martha Brown, Nathan Brown, Hunter Burkhalter, Wayne Burt, Bobby Carroll, James E. Cookston, Joan Cowards, Belinda Cowards-Gonzales, Robert (Andy) Evers, Tahlia Ferderer, George Fields, Randy Fowler, Parker Haines, Dan Hansen, Tim Hansen, Faye Hartman, Valerie Henderson, Sharon Holleman, April Ann Hubmann, Joslyn Jones, Steve Kennedy, John Koster, Katelyn Lawing, Paul McCullough, Jerry McIntyre, Edlia Miller, Elaine Monaghan, Don Ochs, Deborah-Annette Ried, Jon Sandberg, Noah Schultz, Jonnie Pearl Smiley, Bob Smith, Sherri Smith, Deborah Springer, Gary Stoeckmann, Lesley Tatum, Nicole Tatum, Donny Thomas, Leslie Thomas, Nikki Vines, Leonard Watson, Dana Weaver, Cynthia Widlitze, Barbara Zeigler;**

*For college and graduate students:* **Sara Fields;**

*For military servants and their families:* **Gabriel Escude, Glen Hansford, Holden Hathcock, Bill Nelson, Steven Tatum;**

*For foreign missionaries*

*This week’s prayer family:* **The Fields Family** and their loved ones.

*Please be seated*

## OFFERING

*Please stand*

# OFFERTORY

Psalm 51:10-12

The congregation is invited to sing in parts:

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.

# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

## PREFACE

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]*



**P** The Lord be with you.



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



**P** Lift up your hearts.



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



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



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

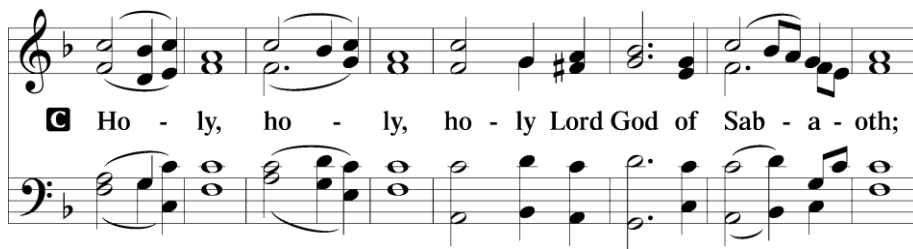




**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting 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**

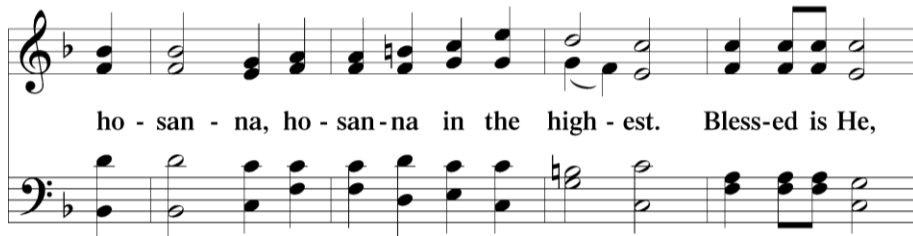
*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*




**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

- P** *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.*

**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the  
 glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26-28

- 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."

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*

The musical score for 'Pax Domini' is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems. The first system features a single melodic line on a treble clef staff, starting with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, and ending with a half note G4. Below the staff is the Latin text: **P** The peace ✠ of the Lord be with you al - ways. The second system is a piano accompaniment for the same text. It has two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The treble staff begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, and ends with a half note G4. The bass staff provides harmonic support with chords and single notes. The Latin text 'A - men.' is positioned between the two staves of the second system.

### AGNUS DEI

*John 1:29*

*The congregation is invited to sing in parts.*

The musical score for 'Agnus Dei' is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The first system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on two staves (treble and bass clefs). The vocal line begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, and ends with a half note G4. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes. The Latin text 'O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the' is written below the vocal line. The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, and ends with a half note G4. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and single notes. The Latin text 'world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that' is written below the vocal line.



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.

*Please be seated*

**DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT**

*All who are members in good standing of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and have introduced themselves to the pastor are welcome to partake of the Holy Communion at Christ Lutheran. If you have not spoken to the pastor, but would like to receive the Lord's blessing, you may still come to the rail and kneel, crossing one arm over the other in the shape of an 'X'. This symbolizes that one is marked by the cross and Triune name of Almighty God.*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

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|--|-------------|
| <b>Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord</b> | <b>#637</b> |
| <b>All for Christ I Have Forsaken</b>          | <b>#753</b> |
| <b>Jesus, Lead Thou On</b>                     | <b>#718</b> |

*Please stand following distribution of communion*

# NUNC DIMITTIS

Luke 2:29-32

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -

The first system of musical notation for the 'Nunc Dimittis' consists of a treble and bass staff in the key of D major. The treble staff begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The bass staff provides harmonic support with chords. The lyrics 'Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -' are written below the treble staff.

cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

The second system of musical notation continues the piece. The treble staff features a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The bass staff continues with harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics 'cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,' are written below the treble staff.

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

The third system of musical notation continues the piece. The treble staff features a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The bass staff continues with harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics 'which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,' are written below the treble staff.

a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

The fourth system of musical notation continues the piece. The treble staff features a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The bass staff continues with harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics 'a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy' are written below the treble staff.

peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

The fifth and final system of musical notation for this page. The treble staff features a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The bass staff continues with harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics 'peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and' are written below the treble staff.

to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

### THANKSGIVING

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

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

### POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- A** 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 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.

### SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS



**P** The Lord be with you.



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



**A** Bless we the Lord.

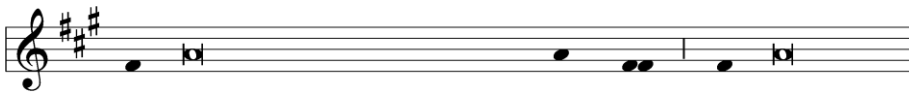


**C** Thanks be to God.

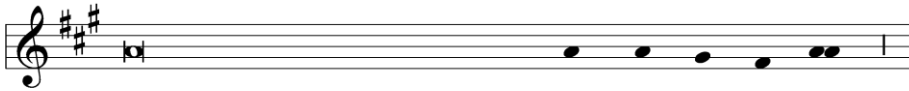


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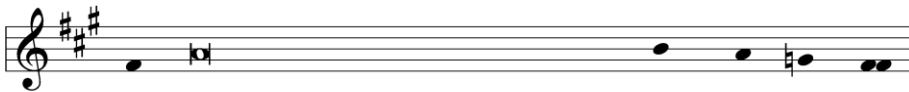
*Numbers 6:24-26*



**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.



## CLOSING HYMN

## Christ Is Surely Coming

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### Acknowledgments

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### Serving Today:

**Celebrant:** Rev. George Fields

**Acolyte:** Nathan Hansford

**Interpreter:** Denee Smith

**Altar Guild:** Sabrina Goodlett

**Elder:** Keith Martin

**Organist:** Sister Sara

**Cantor:** Keith Martin

**Altar Flowers:** This morning's altar flowers were given for the glory of God by Curt and Lesley Dickens in memory of Lesley's father David Smythe.

**Directory Update:** It's time for our annual directory update! A draft is located on the narthex table for you to kindly **review your information** by **next Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>** and pencil in edits as needed. If all is correct, put a checkmark next to your name. Thank you!

**Quilting this Week:** Quilting and coffee and Christmas—oh, my! Join the quilters this week at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday and Thursday as they make Christmas quilts for children. Don't know how to sew? Don't worry! If you can tie a knot, you can contribute to the cause. See you there!

**Readings for next Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, the Last Sunday of the Church Year:**

Introit Ps. 39:4-12; Psalm 93; Isaiah 51:1-6; Jude 20-25; Mark 13:24-37.