CALVARY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR
NOVEMBER 22, 2026

PRELUDE WACHET AUF - Flute and organ duet *arr. James M. Guthrie*

✢ CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION ✢

Stand

INVOCATION

P In the Name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

EXHORTATION & OPENING SENTENCES

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.

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.**

Kneel. If you are unable to kneel, please remain standing.

CONFESSION OF SINS

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.**

ABSOLUTION

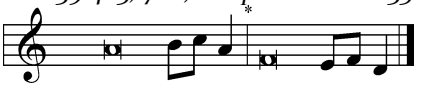
P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Stand

✢ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✢

INTROIT *Psalm 39:4–5, 7–8; antiphon: Isaiah 35:10* ***(sung as indicated)***



[I] The ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with | singing; * everlasting joy shall be up- | on their heads.
They shall obtain glad- | ness and joy, * and sorrow and sighing shall | flee away.

[I] O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure | of my days; * let me know how fleeting | I am!

[C] **Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths, and my lifetime is as nothing be- | fore you. * Surely all mankind stands as a | mere breath!**

[I] And now, O Lord, for what | do I wait? * My hope | is in you.

[C] **Deliver me from all my trans- | gressions. * Do not make me the scorn | of the fool!**

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.

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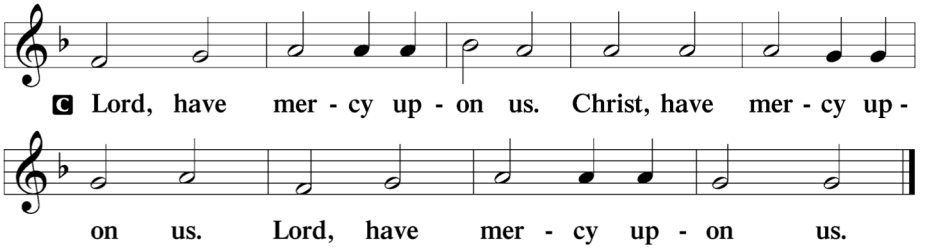

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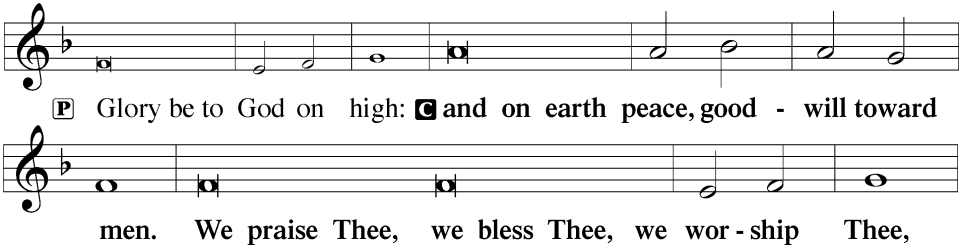

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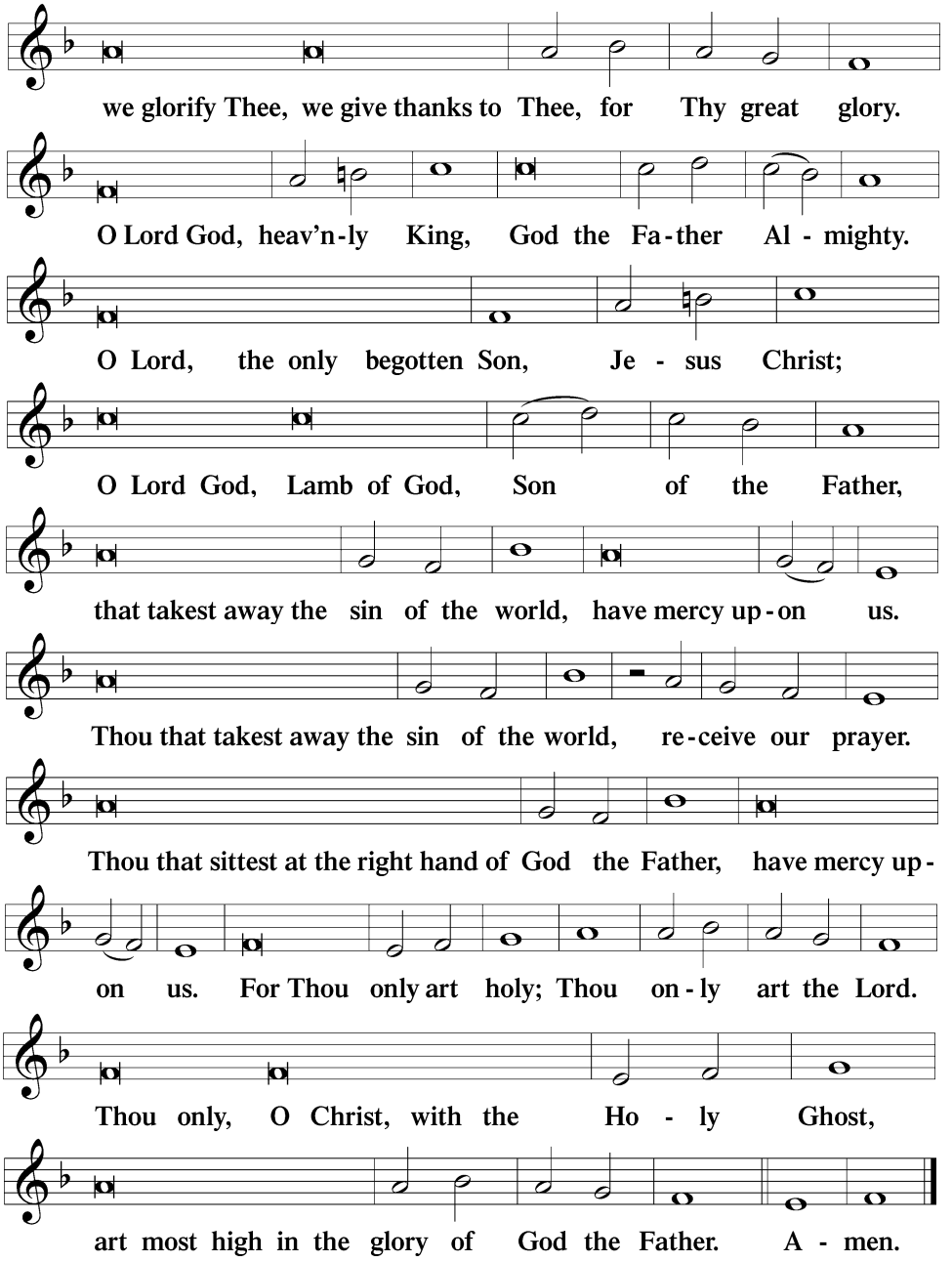

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.
Thou that takest away the sin 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 & COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you. **C** **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray.
Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son, we pray, to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

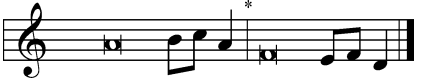
Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING **Isaiah 65:15–25**

"Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their descendants with them. Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the LORD.

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

PSALM OF THE DAY *Psalm 149* ***(sung as indicated)***



I Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a | new song, * his praise in the assembly of the | godly!

C **Let Israel be glad in his | Maker; * let the children of Zion rejoice | in their King!**

I Let them praise his name with | dancing, * making melody to him with tambou- | rine and lyre!

C **For the LORD takes pleasure in his | people; * he adorns the humble with sal- | vation.**

I Let the godly exult in | glory; * let them sing for joy | on their beds.

C **Let the high praises of God be | in their throats * and two-edged swords | in their hands,**

I to execute vengeance on the | nations * and punishments on the | peoples,

C **to bind their | kings with chains * and their nobles with fet- | ters of iron,**

I to execute on them the judgment | written! * This is honor for all his godly ones. | Praise the LORD!

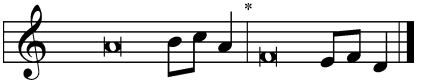
EPISTLE READING **1 Thessalonians 5:1–11**

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

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

Stand

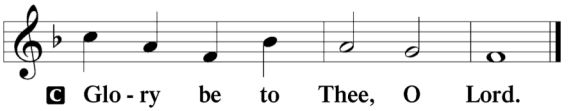
VERSE OF THE DAY Revelation 21:2 ***(sung as indicated)***



I Alleluia. I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven | from God, * prepared as a bride adorned for her | husband. Alle- | luia.

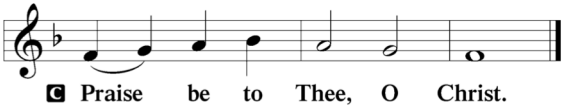
HOLY GOSPEL READING **Matthew 25:1–13**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 25th Chapter:



[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying **516**

SERMON

Stand

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.

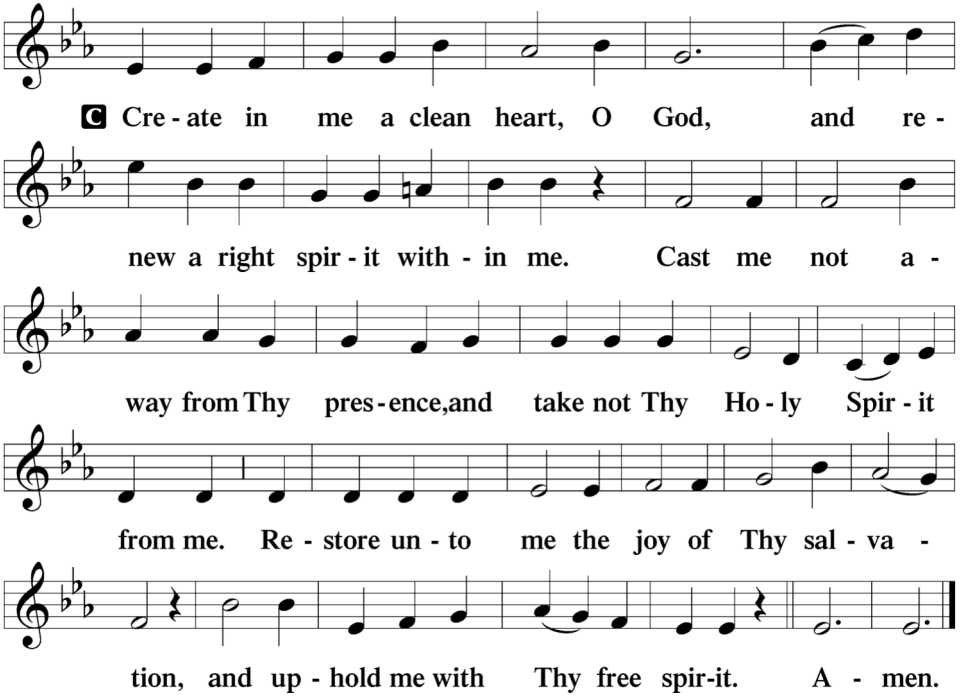
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✢ of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P ...let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**

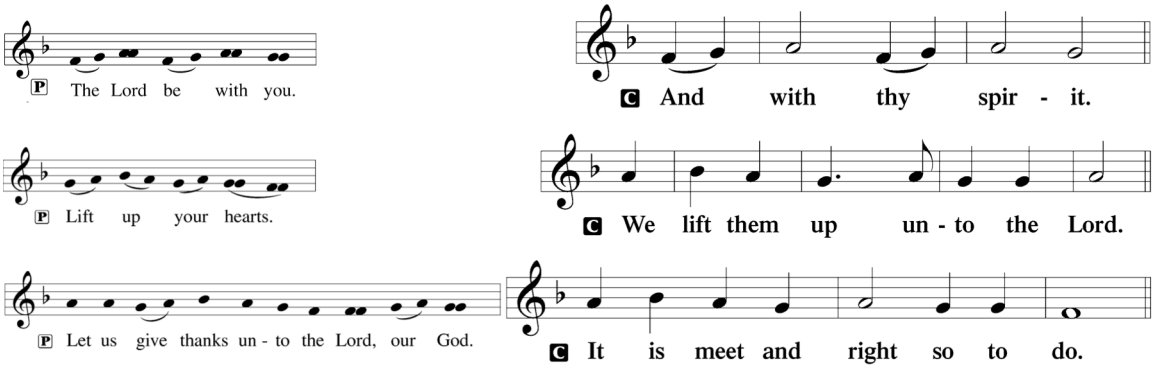
GATHERING OF OFFERINGS
Worshipers may leave offerings in the plates near the sanctuary doors.

OFFERTORY



✢ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✢

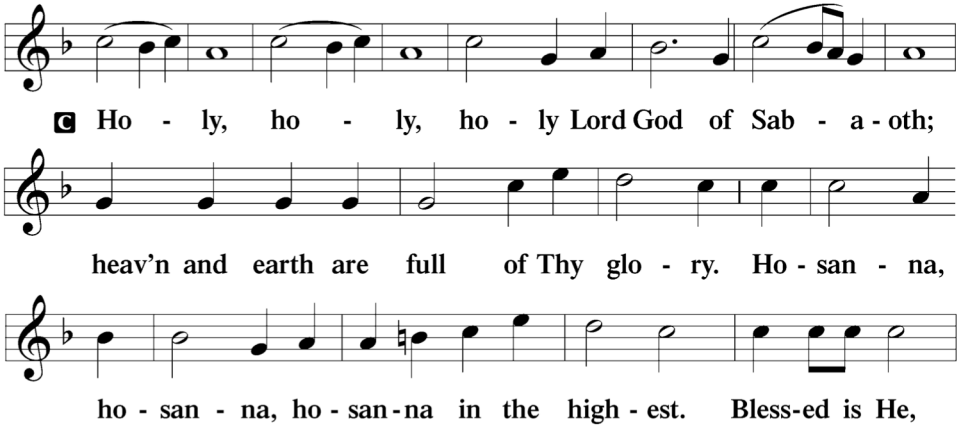
PREFACE



PROPER PREFACE

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



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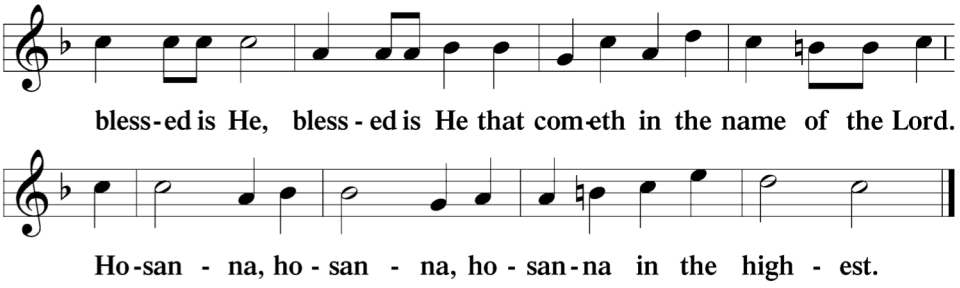

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord Jesus Christ, almighty and everlasting Son of the Father. For by the sacrifice of Yourself upon the cross, offered once for all, You have perfected those who are sanctified. As a memorial and seal of this, You have ordained Your Holy Supper, in which You give us Your Body to eat and Your Blood to drink, so that being in You, even as You are in us, we may have everlasting life and be raised up at the Last Day.

Most merciful and exalted Redeemer, we humbly confess that we are not worthy of the least of all the mercies and of all the truth that You have shown to us. Because of our sins, we are too impure and weak to receive Your saving gifts. Sanctify us, therefore, in our bodies and souls by Your Holy Spirit. Prepare us to come to Your Supper, to the glory of Your grace, and to our own eternal good.

From the fullness of the merits of Your bitter suffering and death, O Lord, graciously supply whatever we may lack in true repentance and sorrow for our sins, in living faith and trust in Your merits, and in an earnest purpose to amend our sinful lives. Grant us this, so that we who in this present world partake of You, our only Consolation and Savior, in the Holy Sacrament, may at last see You face to face in Your heavenly kingdom and dwell with You and all Your saints forever.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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."

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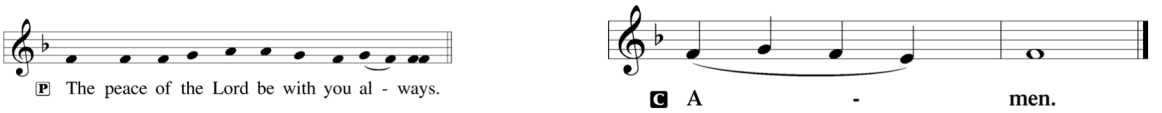

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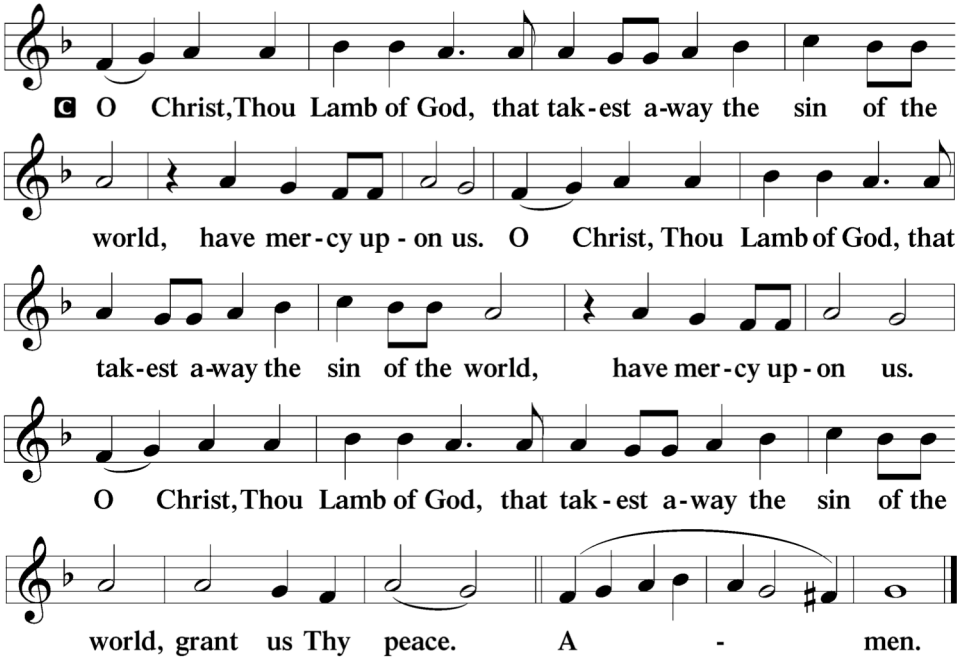

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RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENT

Please note the Communion Statement printed in the bulletin. Follow the ushers' instructions to approach the communion rail. Individuals who are not communing may receive a blessing; please cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire a blessing.

HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION

The Day Is Surely Drawing Near	**508**
Christ Is Surely Coming	**509**
The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us	**514**

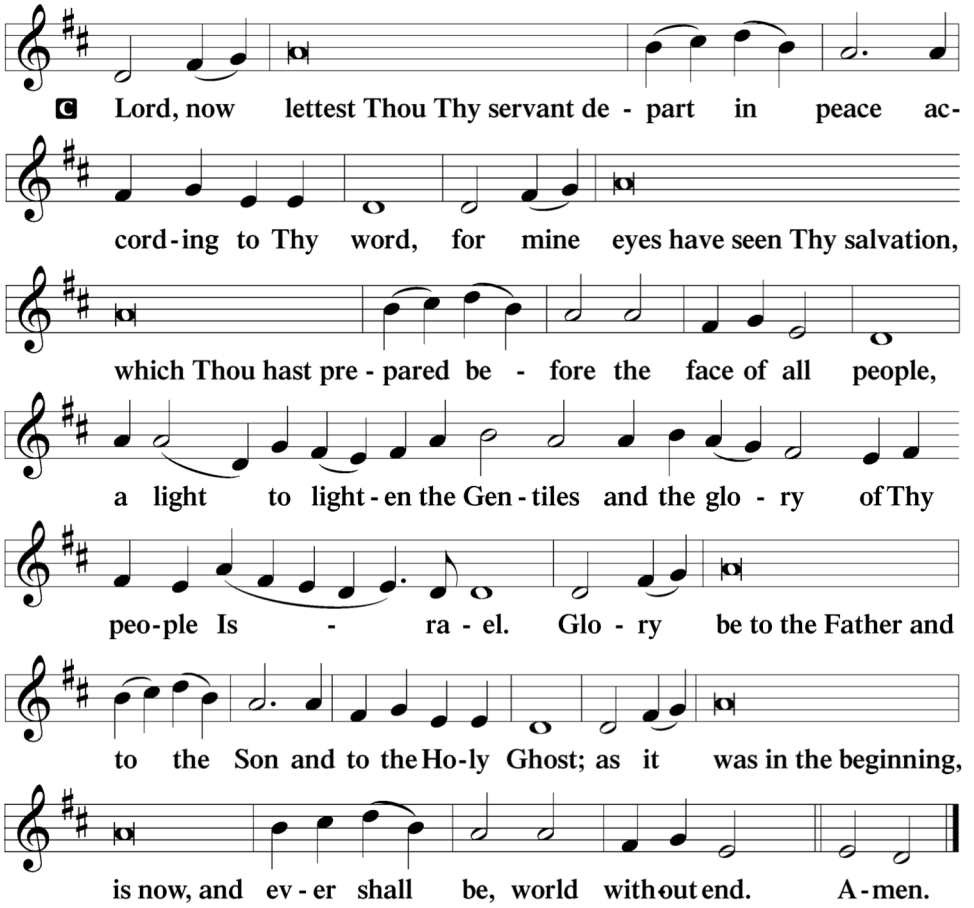
Stand after the Presiding Minister has placed the sacramental vessels in order.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

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.**

NUNC DIMITTIS



THANKSGIVING & POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, **C** **and His mercy endureth forever.**

P Let us pray.
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

SALUTATION & BENEDICAMUS

P The Lord be with you. **C** **And with thy spirit.**

P Bless we the Lord. **C** **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.

C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN Rejoice, Rejoice Believers **515**

POSTLUDE Rejoice, Rejoice Believers *arr. Christopher M. Wicks*

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