

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, 5/3 8:15AM WORSHIP
9:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:45AM WORSHIP WITH ASL INTERPRETER
5:30PM DINNER CHURCH SERVICE, DINNER SERVED AT 6

MONDAY, 5/4 6:00PM PRAYER GROUP
7:00PM BIBLE STUDY

TUESDAY, 5/5 7:00PM PROPERTY MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 5/6 7:00 CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MEETING ON ZOOM

THURSDAY, 5/7 NOON BIBLE STUDY
6:00PM BIBLE 101
7:00PM CHOIR

FRIDAY, 5/8

SATURDAY, 5/9 8:00AM MEN'S GROUP BREAKFAST IN THE FELLOW HALL

SUNDAY, 5/10 8:15AM WORSHIP
9:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:30AM YOUNG AT HEART
10:45AM WORSHIP WITH ASL INTERPRETER

Welcome Members and Visitors today!

Bible Studies.....

Monday night Bible Study meets at 7:00PM.

Thursday Noon Bible Study continues weekly.

NEW: Bible 101.....will meet in person on May 7th and continue the first Thursday of the month at 6:00. In between the in person study, Bible 101 will be on Facebook Live on Wednesdays and then put on You Tube later in the week.

Bible 101 will explore: what is the Bible, how is the Bible put together, how can we best read it and apply it to our lives.

Council has approved the Property Committee proposal to develop the [best use of storage spaces and closets](#) in our church building.

Anyone involved in the many activities here are welcome to give their input of ideas for organization as well as their time and energy for cleaning and sorting.

Anyone interested in helping, please contact Anne Coiner at 724 433-2029.

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Men's Group Breakfast... will meet
Saturday, May 9 at Holy Trinity at 8:00am

MAY Community Meal... Monday, **May 18**
 Doors open at 5:00 PM. Dinner is served at 6:00 PM.

Our next **Dinner Church** will be TODAY, Sunday, May 3...
 service at 5:30, Dinner at 6:00.

THEOLOGY ON TAP ..

Will meet April 28 at 7:00PM at the Manor Grille on Main Street in Irwin.

Office Hours change May - August....

the Church Office will be **closed on Fridays** beginning on May 1 and will continue through the end of August. The office will be open Monday to Thursday 9am - Noon.

Graduate Recognition... will be held on May 31st.

Any graduates from High School or college, please let the office know at office@htlc.church

| ASSISTING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | 8:15 | 10:45 |
| Assisting Ministers | Chris Karpinsky | Jennifer Fitzgerald |
| Communion Assistants | Lois Brown Tori McCune | Jeffrey Horvath Susan Siems |
| Lectors | Lori Pheil | Beth Smaligo |
| Acolytes | Katelyn Holsopple | <i>open</i> |
| Greeters | | Sonnie Freed Luella Tomasello |
| Livestream | | Zack Tinsley |

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| Altar Guild | Set-up Saturday, May 2 | | Brian and Andrea Smith |
| | Sun., May 3 | 8:15 | Vicki and Doug Hillier |
| | | 10:45 | Andrea and Brian Smith |
| | Set-up Saturday, May 9 | | Kim Rogers and Bob Billstone |
| | Sun., May 10 | 8:15 | Rochelle Belak |
| | | 10:45 | Kim Rogers and Bob Billstone |

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| Food Pantry 2026 Dates: June 13, August 15, October 17 (Thanksgiving), December 12 (Christmas) | | | |
| Items needed currently, special requests: | | | |
| Drink mix/lemonade mix | Granola bars/cereal bars | | |
| Microwave popcorn | Barbecue sauce | Laundry detergent | |
| Items always requested: | | | |
| Mac & cheese/pasta | Applesauce | Baked beans | Canned fruit |
| Canned tuna | Cereal | Granola bars | Pasta Sauce |
| Oatmeal | Paper Towels | Peanut butter & Jelly | |
| Potato/rice mix | Pudding Cups | Toilet Paper | |
| Peanut Butter and Cheese Crackers | Cake/muffin/brownie mix | | |
| Chef Boyardee | Canned Vegetables | | |
| Thanks for the generous donations to date! If you would like to donate money, please mark "food pantry" on an envelope. Food pantry contact: Jodi Waugaman at 724-516-9680 or waugawoman86@comcast.net | | | |

Worship Plan for Sunday, May 3, 2026

5 Easter

Fifth Sunday of Easter

ELW Holy Communion Setting Two

Sunday, May 3, 2026

Introduction to the day

As we continue to celebrate the fifty days of Easter, today's gospel includes Jesus' promise that he goes to prepare a place for his followers in his Father's house. Our baptism commissions us to share Jesus' mission in the world. As 1 Peter reminds us, we are a holy people, called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light. In words and deeds we bear witness to the risen Christ—our way, our truth, our life.

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** *Pastor*

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the tomb you have given us the sure sign of your power to deliver us from sin and death and to renew our whole creation.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection

Merciful God,

We confess that we still fall into doubt and fear.

We continue to cling to selfish ways and doubt your power to make all things new.

Forgive our lack of faith.

Have mercy on our weakness.

Raise us from the death of sin that we may live with Christ in the joy of his resurrection, now and forever. Amen.

Do not dwell on your wounds any longer for he has risen to heal you, he has risen to forgive you; he has risen to change us all and bind us together now.

Christ has risen to forgive us.

Thanks be to God.

***GATHERING SONG** *By All Your Saints #420*

By All Your Saints

Apostles, Prophets, Martyrs



1 By all your saints still striv - ing, for all your saints at rest,
2 A - pos - tles, proph - ets, mar - tyrs, and all the no - ble thron - g
3 Give praise to God Al - might - y, and wor - ship God the Son,



your ho - ly name, O Je - sus, for - ev - er - more be blessed!
who wear the spot - less rai - ment and raise the cease - less song -
and sing to God the Spir - it, e - ter - nal Three in One,



For you a - rose vic - to - rious that they might wear the crown
for these passed on be - fore us, we sing our praise a - new
till all the ran - somed num - ber fall down be - fore the throne,



and share the light of glo - ry re - flect - ed from your throne.
and, walk - ing in their foot - steps, would live our lives for you.
and hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry as - cribe to God a - lone.

Text: Horatio Bolton Nelson, 1823–1913, alt.
Music: KING'S LYNN, English folk tune

***GREETING Pastor**

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

And also with you.

***CANTICLE OF PRAISE**

FESTIVAL CANTICLE: WORTHY IS CHRIST

Richard Hillert

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le -

lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. lu - ia.

Verses

1. Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3. Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4. "Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5. For the Lamb who was slain has be -

1. blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
 2. hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.
 3. join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion. (to Vs 4)
 4. God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men."
 5. gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

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***PRAYER OF THE DAY** Pastor

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Acts 7:55-60

Stephen was one of the seven men chosen by the apostles to serve tables so that the apostles could be free to serve the word (Acts 6:1-6). Stephen does more than distribute food, however. For his preaching of God's word, he becomes the first martyr of the faith.

⁵⁵ Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶ "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" ⁵⁷ But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸ Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him, and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹ While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." ⁶⁰ Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

¹ In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness.
² **Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me.**
³ Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; for the sake of your name, lead me and guide me.
⁴ **Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, for you are my tower of strength.**
⁵ Into your hands I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O LORD, God of truth.
¹⁵ **My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.**
¹⁶ Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love."

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:2-10

Christ is the cornerstone of God's saving work and the foundation of our lives. We are God's chosen, holy people who continuously celebrate and declare the mercy of God we experience through Jesus Christ.

² Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation ³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.
⁴ Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵ like living stones let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For it stands in scripture:
"See, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious,
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."
⁷ This honor, then, is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the very head of the corner,”

⁸ and

“A stone that makes them stumble
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the excellence of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

¹⁰ Once you were not a people,
but now you are God’s people;
once you had not received mercy,
but now you have received mercy.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

CELTIC ALLELUIA

Celtic Mass
Fintan O’Carroll and Christopher Walker

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the Celtic Alleluia. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a time signature of 8/8. The melody is written on a single line. The second staff continues the melody and includes a double bar line with repeat dots. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below the notes on both staves.

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*GOSPEL: John 14:1-14

The holy gospel according to John.

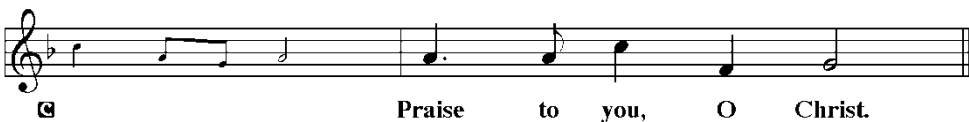
Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

The image shows a single staff of musical notation for the Gospel. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written on a single line. The lyrics 'Glo - ry to you, O Lord.' are written below the notes.

On the night that he is to be arrested, Jesus shares final words with his disciples. As the one through whom God is known, he promises to go before them and act on their behalf.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going.” ⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

⁸Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.” The gospel of the Lord.



CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds* #367**

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has
 there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has
 set heart and will on things a - bove that we
 and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
 fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
 Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



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

***Nicene Creed**

**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,
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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *assisting minister

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

A brief silence.

God of glory, you have built your church on Christ the cornerstone. Inspire lay leaders, deacons, pastors, and bishops to proclaim forgiveness and your steadfast love to all whom they encounter. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

God of majesty, you bring forth plants and animals, skies and seas, mountains and valleys. Protect all you have made.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of mercy, you intend governments and social service agencies to be instruments of peace and justice. Guide political leaders and organizations to be agents of compassion.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of well-being, you soothe those in distress, console all who grieve, provide for any in need, and comfort those who are sick (*especially*). Instill caregivers with a sense of purpose to be your healing hands in this world.

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of community, you call us together as your people for mutual support and to witness to your love in the world. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

God of eternal life, you have prepared dwelling places for your people, so that we are never separated from you. We give you thanks for the faithful departed who witnessed to your mighty acts in word and deed.

Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Pastor

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

Amen.

***PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING

Choir Anthem: *Come My Way, My Truth, My Life*

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE




Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

*OFFERING PRAYER *assisting minister*

Let us pray.

Merciful God,
accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.
You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day
when we will hunger and thirst no more.
Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus,
that goodness and mercy may follow us
and bless the world you love.
In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

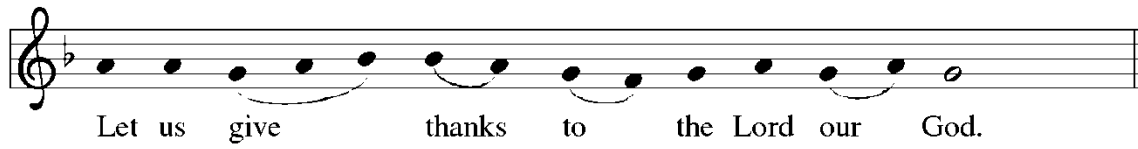
***DIALOGUE Pastor**



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***PREFACE**

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy". It consists of four staves of music in a single system, all written on a treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,". The second staff continues with "heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the". The third staff continues with "high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -". The fourth staff concludes with "san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The music features various note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, along with rests and phrasing slurs.

*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE **Pastor**

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness
to the land of milk and honey.
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
Breathe new life into us.
Send us forth,
burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places,
with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars,
we praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever. **Amen.**

***LORD'S PRAYER** Pastor

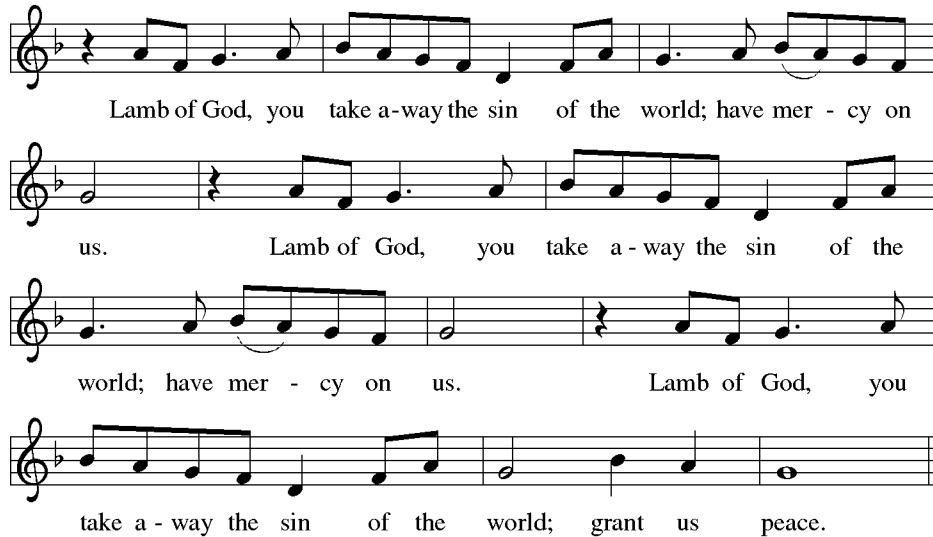
Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION** Pastor

Come to the table of new life.
Receive the risen Lord.

COMMUNION SONG



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION

Hymn During Communion: ***I Received the Living God #477***

***COMMUNION BLESSING** Pastor

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

*SONG AFTER COMMUNION



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION **assisting minister**

Let us pray.

Holy One,

through this meal you have made your home among us
and are making all things new.

Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,
to love our enemies,
and to bring your healing to the nations.

In the name of Jesus,

Amen.

*BLESSING **Pastor**

Go out into the world as the people of God in this place,
and may the God who raised Jesus from the dead grant you grace,
the Son who gave his life for you give you peace,
and the Spirit who is with you day by day,
inspire you to greater service both now and forever more.

Amen.

*SENDING SONG *Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing* #389

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,
4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to

emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and

prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.
loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: TRURO, T. Williams, *Psalmody Evangelica*, 1789

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***DISMISSAL** *assisting minister*

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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