

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, 10/26	8:15AM WORSHIP 9:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45AM WORSHIP WITH CONFIRMATION AND SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER
MONDAY, 10/27	6:00PM PRAYER GROUP 7:00PM BIBLE STUDY
TUESDAY, 10/28	7:00PM MEN'S GROUP
WEDNESDAY, 10/29	7:00PM SCRAPBOOKING IN THE MILLER PARLOR
THURSDAY, 10/30	7:00PM CHOIR REHEARSAL
FRIDAY, 10/31	
SATURDAY, 11/1	
SUNDAY, 11/2 <i>ALL SAINTS</i>	8:15AM WORSHIP WITH CONFIRMATION 9:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 BRUCE IN BLOOM BULB PLANTING OUTSIDE 10:45AM WORSHIP WITH BAPTISM AND SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER DINNER CHURCH: SERVICE AT 5:30, DINNER AT 6:00

Young at Heart... will meet Sunday, Nov. 16th at 9:30AM.

Operation Christmas Child Samaritan's Purse sends gift-filled Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes to children in need around the world together with the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Boxes are available in the Narthex for you to take and return by November 23. Or join us at women's group on November 19 for a packing party!
Council will cover the \$10 per box donation (up to \$500)

Scrapbooking **All are welcome** to join us for Scrapbooking in the Miller Parlor- Oct. 29th and continuing the last Wednesday of every month at 7:00 PM.

Welcome Members and Visitors today!



The **Altar Flowers** are presented to the Glory of God and in honor of our 7th Wedding Anniversary by Doug and Nancy Woodring.



God Bless
Ryan Henaghan and Grant Darby
on their Confirmation this morning!

Sunday School for all ages....

Begins at 9:30am. Registration forms are in the Narthex.
Please invite friends to come!

Bible Studies..... Join us anytime!

Monday night Bible Study meets at 7:00PM.
We will be discussing the Council of Nicea - which celebrates its 1700th anniversary this year!
Thursday Bible Study meets at Noon in the Miller Parlor.
Topic: Who is Jesus?

Altar Flowers.....

Suggestions for new florists: Zanarini's in Jeannette, Lea's in East McKessport and Logan's in Manor.
Please note, if you have altar flowers, your florist must call the office to schedule flower delivery during office hours.

November Community Meal... Monday, Nov. 17th
 Doors open at 5:00 PM. Dinner is served at 6:00 PM.
 Please see Pastor John if you have donations.
 Please sign up if you can help!

On All Saints Sunday... our Sunday School classes will plant tulip bulbs in front of the church. Please join us for **“Bruce in Bloom”** (our new name for the annual event) on **November 2 at 10 a.m. on the front porch** as we honor Bruce Stewart and continue the tradition he began. Together we plant, remember, and rejoice in the promise of new life that blooms each spring, reminding us of Easter’s assurance that life conquers death and love endures forever.

All Saints Sunday - November 2

We will remember the lives of those who have joined the saints triumphant in the last 12 months. On the sheet in the Narthex, please **add those who are not members** that you wish remembered and they will be included in prayer on All Saints Sunday. Also, please indicate if you would like to take home a flower in their memory after worship.

Men’s Group Breakfast will meet

Saturday, November 8th at 8:00AM here at Holy Trinity.

Women’s Faith and Fellowship

Will meet Wednesday, November 19th at 7:00PM.
 We will be having a packing party (shoeboxes provided!) for Operation Christmas Child.
 All women of the church are welcome to attend !

ASSISTING IN TODAY’S WORSHIP

	8:15	10:45
Assisting Minister	Chris Karpinsky	Jaden Brittingham
Communion Assistants	Vicki Hillier Melissa Fox	Lisa Lucotch Eric Walt
Lector	Maria Clark	Eric Keiser
Acolyte	Hannah Glenn	Justin Keiser
Greeters		Bob and Carol Schlotter
Altar Guild		

Set-up Saturday, Oct. 25		Diane Kowalski and Sandy Tomko
Sunday, Oct. 26	8:15	Cindy McCune and Glenda Wendling
	10:45	Diane Kowalski and Sandy Tomko
Set-up Saturday, Nov. 1		Rochelle Belak
Sunday, Nov. 2	8:15	Rochelle Belak
	10:45	Andrea and Brian Smith

Food Pantry

2025 Distribution Dates: Dec. 13

Items needed currently, special requests:

Pancake mix	Maple Syrup	Sugar cookie mix	Liquid soap
Canned frosting	Candy	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	
Cheese Crackers	Cake/muffin/brownie mix		
Chef Boyardee	Canned Vegetables		

Many thanks for the generous donations to date! If you would like to donate money, please mark “food pantry” in the subject line on your check or you may use one of the pew envelopes. Food pantry contact: Jodi Waugaman at 724-516-9680 or waugawoman86@comast.net

Worship Plan for Sunday, October 26, 2025

Reformation Sunday

ELW Holy Communion Setting Two

Sunday, October 26, 2025

Introduction to the day

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** Pastor

In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

***GATHERING SONG *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* #504**

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who

to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom
 your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with

wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,

he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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*GREETING

During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.

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

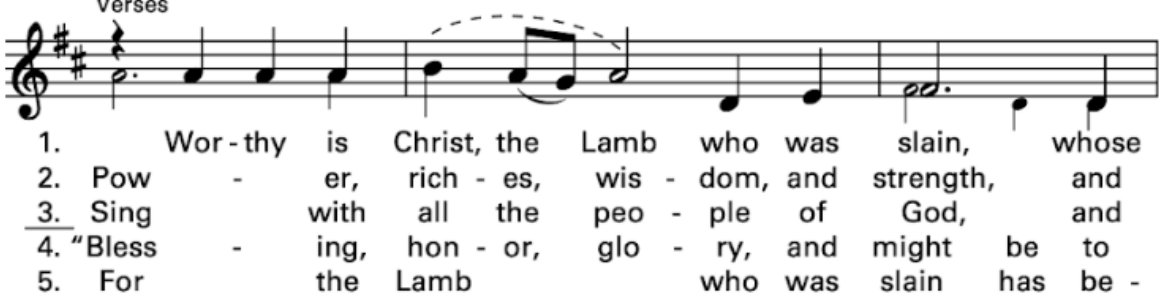
Refrain



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.

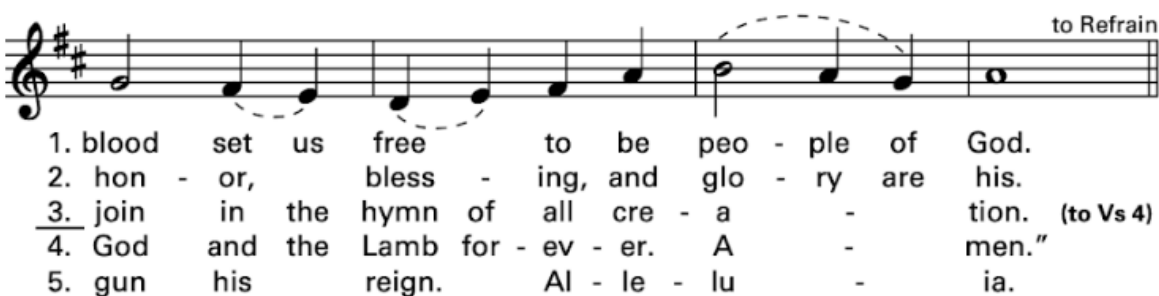
1-5 to Verses **Final**

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 -

to Refrain



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**

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the LORD means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the LORD will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

³¹ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.

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

PSALM: Psalm 46

¹ God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

² **Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

³ though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴ **There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.

⁶ **The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

⁸ **Come now, regard the works of the LORD,**

what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

⁹ behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰ **"Be still, then, and know that I am God;**

I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

¹¹ The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

¹⁹ Now we know that, whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For no human will be justified before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹ But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested by the Law and the Prophets, ²² the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³ since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴ they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶ it was to demonstrate at the present time his own righteousness, so that he is righteous and he justifies the one who has the faith of Jesus.

²⁷ Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law? That of works? No, rather through the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

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

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

CELTIC ALLELUIA

Celtic Mass
Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker



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*GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

The holy gospel according to.....



Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

³¹ Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³ They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

³⁴ Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶ So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

The gospel of the Lord.



Children's Sermon

Temple Talk

SERMON

*HYMN OF THE DAY *THROUGH THE YEARS ARRAYED IN MERCY*

Through the Years Arrayed by Mercy

for Holy Trinity Lutheran Church's 150th Anniversary

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The score consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

Through the years ar - rayed in mer - cy, Mer - cy from God's lov - ing hand,
Hist - ry sings a cease - less cho - rus, Songs of praise and end - less love.
God transcends all hu - man fail - ing Grant - ing grace to hu - man - kind;

We are called in - to Christ's gath' - ring, Crowned by grace to -
Join our voic - es, all to - geth - er, With those voic - es
Je - sus, once the suff' - ring ser - vant, Through Him were our

day we stand! Jour - ney on - ward, jour - ney on - ward!
now a - bove! Sing God's prais - es, sing God's prais - es
souls re - fined! Ho - ly Spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it,

Spir - it led and King - dom bound, Spir - it led and King - dom bound!
Here on earth and ev - er - more, Here on earth and ev - er - more!
Praise the Bles - sed Trin - i - ty, Praise the Bles - sed Trin - i - ty!

TEXT: Mark A. Boyle, 2024
MUSIC: John Hughes, 1873-1932

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Confirmation at 10:45 see INSERT

8:15 ONLY

****Apostles' Creed***

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

8:15 ONLY

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *Assisting Minister

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world,
and all creation.

A brief silence.

Free your church, O God, with grace, mercy, and love to be transformed by
your word. Direct your church to be united in word and deed so that all
creation knows the uniting and transforming power of the gospel. God of
grace, **receive our prayer.**

Renew creation, O God, so that all living creatures thrive together. Guide
those who work to restore and renew creation. Preserve and care for
endangered species throughout the world. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Bring peace among the nations, O God, so violence and terror are not the norm on your earth. Inspire leaders of communities to work for peace and justice. Unite our politicians with a common mission and purpose. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Heal all who suffer, O God, and bring them peace. Draw near to people who are incarcerated. Give hope to people experiencing housing or employment insecurity, oppression, or discrimination. Heal those who are ill (*especially*). Be our stronghold at all times. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Forgive us our sins, O God, and grant us your grace. Move us to understanding and reconciliation between people of other faiths and other Christian traditions in our community. Mend hurt feelings and heal wounds we have caused one another. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We give you thanks, O God, for the life and witness of all your saints (*especially Philipp Nicolai, Johann Heermann, and Paul Gerhardt*). Give us hope in your son's victory through the cross. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Pastor

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

***PEACE**

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

OFFERING

Choir Anthem: *Christ the Sure Foundation*

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE



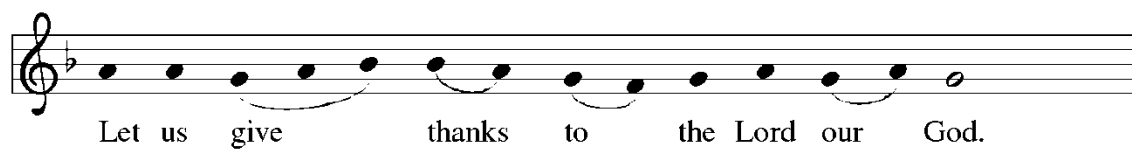
Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your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

*OFFERING PRAYER *assisting minister*

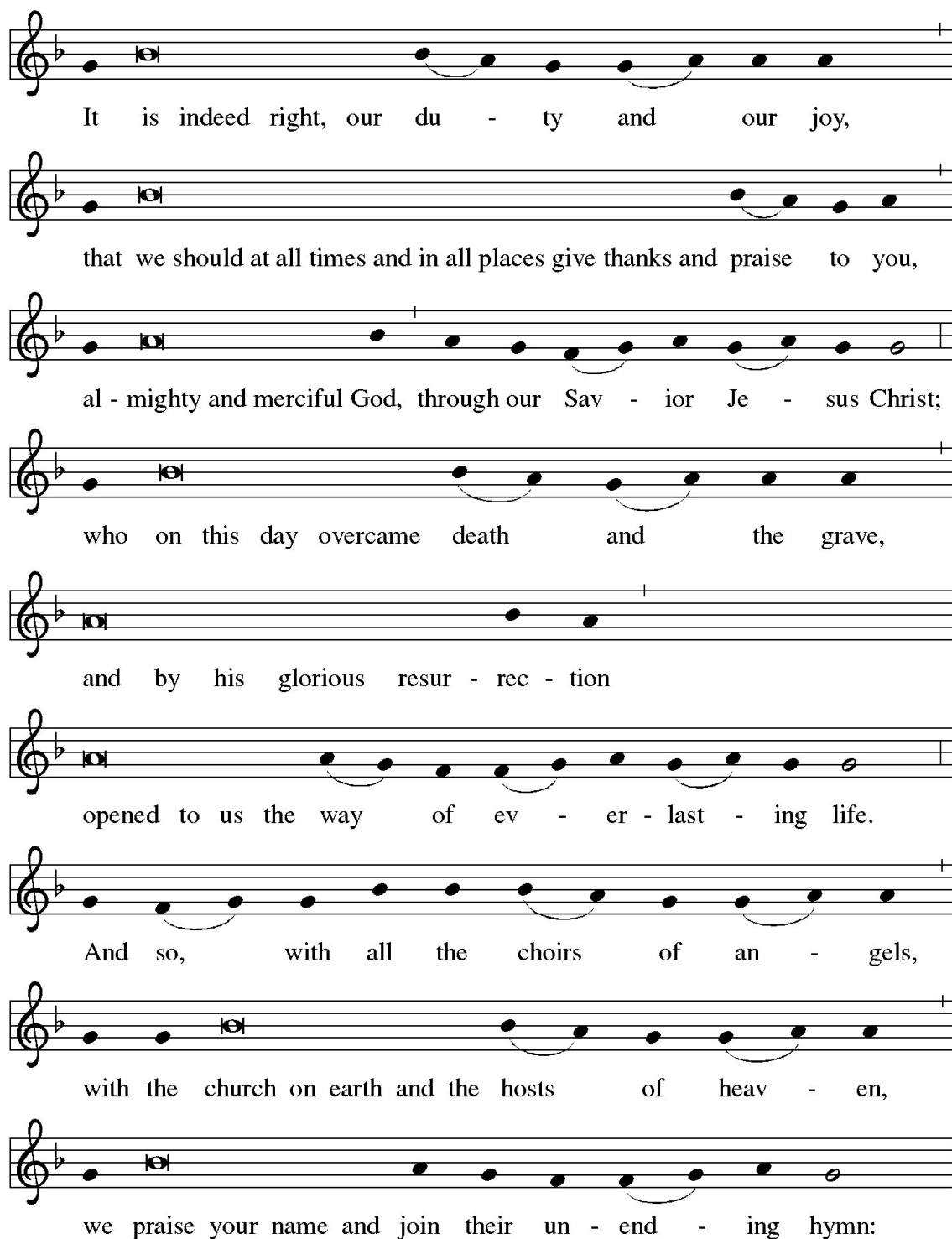
Let us pray.

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are in need, though Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

***DIALOGUE** Pastor



*PREFACE



It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,
al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resur - rec - tion
opened to us the way of ev - er - last - ing life.
And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,
we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

***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.

***THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy
will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come. a - gain.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again,
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able;
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,
may be formed to live as your holy people
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



A - men, a - men. A - men, a - men.

***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

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

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: ***The Church's One Foundation*** #544

***COMMUNION BLESSING** Pastor

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

***SONG AFTER COMMUNION**

Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -
filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre -
pared in the sight of ev-'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the
na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

The image shows a musical score for a song. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is written on a single treble clef staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first line of music corresponds to the first line of lyrics, and so on. The song ends with a double bar line on the fourth staff.

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** *assisting minister*

Let us pray.

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

***BENEDICTION** *Pastor*

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

Amen.

***SENDING SONG** *Founded on Faith (ACS 1048)*

Founded on Faith



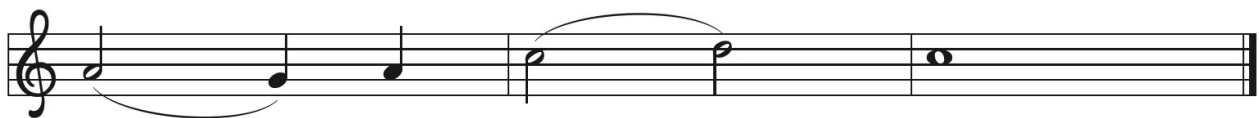
1 Found - ed on faith, the church— a - live by grace—
 2 Your cross, O Christ, re - news our life each day.
 3 E - quipped by prayer, we live the Spir - it's call.
 4 Grow - ing in grace for God's cre - at - ed earth,
 5 Found - ed on faith, called forth, em - pow'ed to serve,



pro - claims the gos - pel here and ev - 'ry place.
 Bap - tized in you, we learn and teach and pray.
 Em - pow'ed to serve with gifts, both great and small,
 we yearn for jus - tice, peace, and hu - man worth;
 we share God's end - less love with - out re - serve.



The word of God re - sounds through time and space:
 Fed by your love, with thank - ful hearts, we say:
 we bring the liv - ing hope of God to all.
 a world re - stored; a faith - ful, car - ing church.
 Then let us shout a - loud the liv - ing Word!



Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Paul D. Weber, b. 1949

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***DISMISSAL** Go in peace. Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God.**

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