

First Sunday in Advent
November 29, 2026

Prelude *Partita on Savior of the Nations, Come* ME Bloedow

Pastoral Greeting

Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation: *Prepare the Royal Highway* LSB 343

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 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

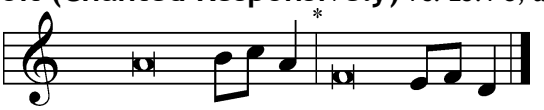
Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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

Introit (Chanted Responsively) Ps. 25:1-3; antiphon: Zech. 9:9b, alt.



Behold, your king is com- | ing to you;*
righteous and having sal- | vation.
To you, | O LORD,*
I lift | up my soul.
O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame;*
let not my enemies exult | over me.
Indeed, none who wait for you shall be | put to shame;*
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly | treacherous.
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
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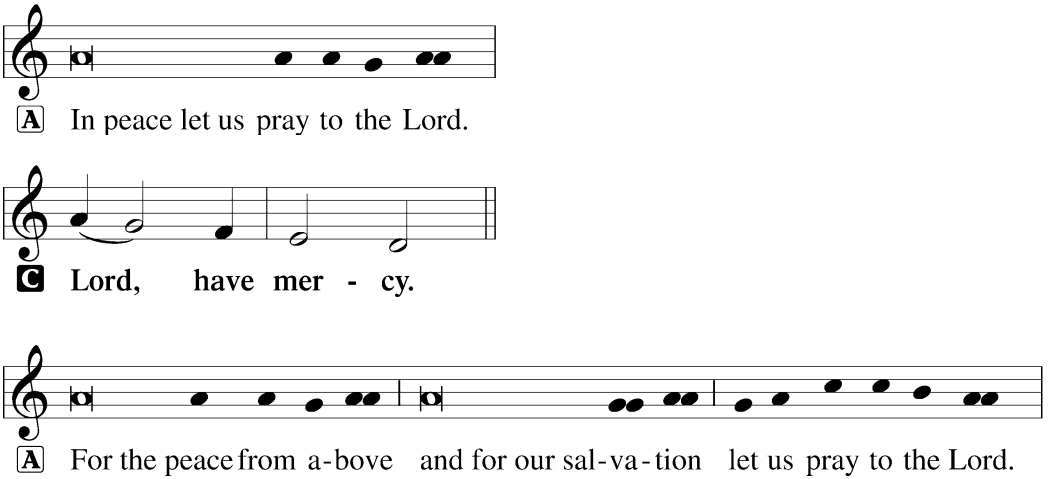
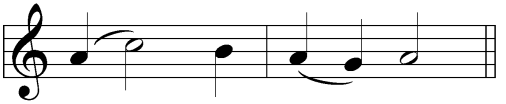
Kyrie

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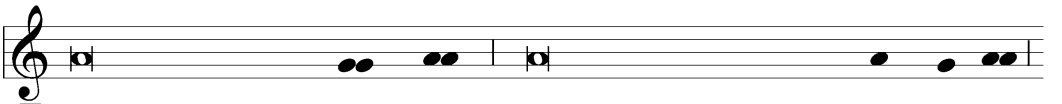
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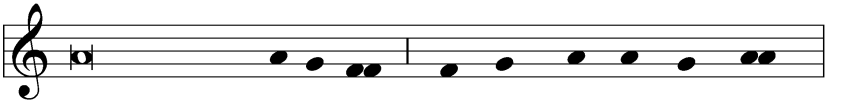
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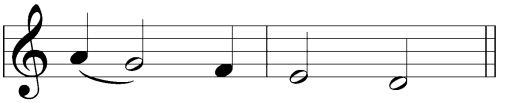
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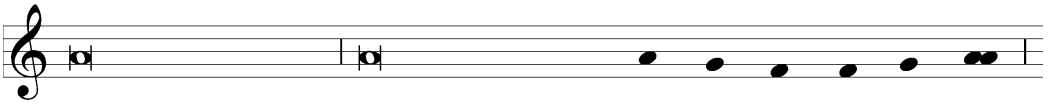
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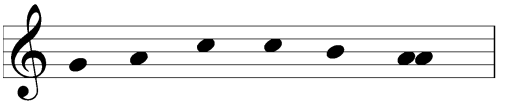
For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise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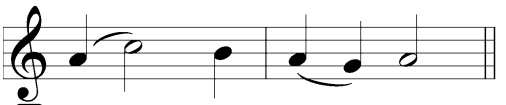
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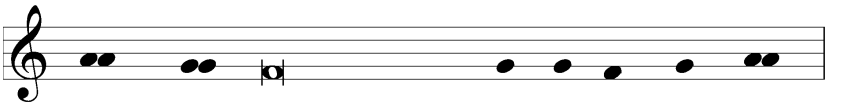
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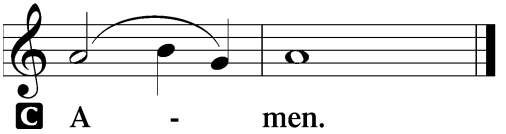
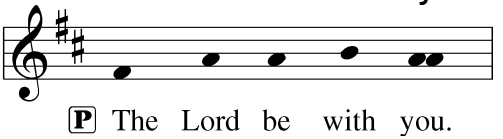
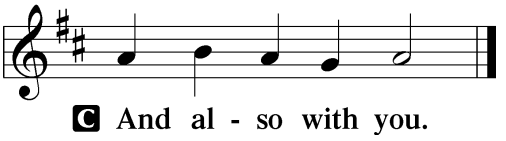
Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



Salutation and Collect of the Day: Advent 1





P Let us pray.
Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 64:1-9

1 Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down,
that the mountains might quake at your presence—
2 as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil—
to make your name known to your adversaries,
and that the nations might tremble at your presence!
3 When you did awesome things that we did not look for,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
4 From of old no one has heard

or perceived by the ear,
no eye has seen a God besides you,
who acts for those who wait for him.
[5]You meet him who joyfully works righteousness,
those who remember you in your ways.
Behold, you were angry, and we sinned;
in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved?
[6]We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
[7]There is no one who calls upon your name,
who rouses himself to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities.
[8]But now, O LORD, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
[9]Be not so terribly angry, O LORD,
and remember not iniquity forever.
Behold, please look, we are all your people.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual (Spoken Together) Zech. 9:9; Ps. 118:26, alt.

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion.
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem.
Behold, your king is coming to you;
righteous and having salvation.
Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
From the house of the Lord we bless you.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

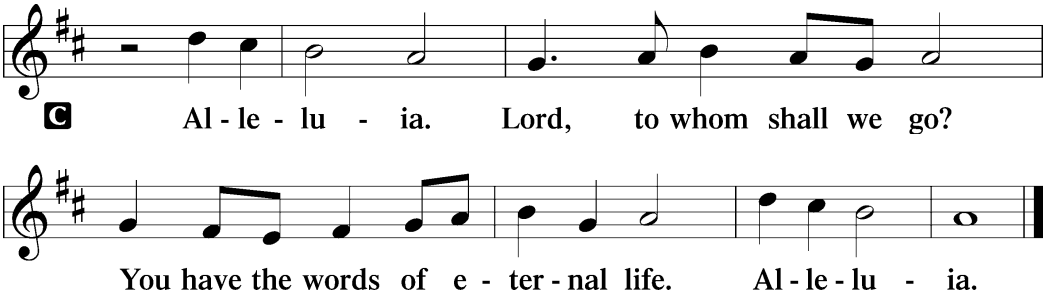
3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
4 I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that
was given you in Christ Jesus, 5 that in every way you were enriched in him in
all speech and all knowledge—6 even as the testimony about Christ was
confirmed among you—7 so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as
you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, 8 who will sustain you to
the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 God is faithful, by
whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

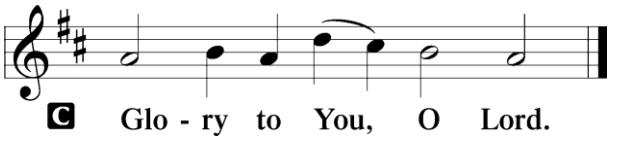
Stand

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel: Mark 11:1-10

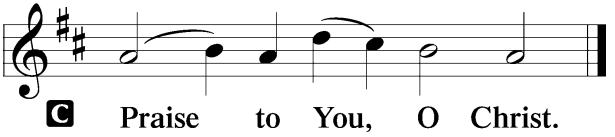
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eleventh chapter.



1 When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the
Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples 2 and said to them, "Go into
the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt

tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. [3]If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" [4]And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. [5]And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" [6]And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. [7]And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. [8]And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. [9]And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! [10]Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

Hymn of the Day: *Savior of the Nations, Come* LSB 332

Sermon *"Have You Tamed God?"* Isaiah 64:1-9

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.

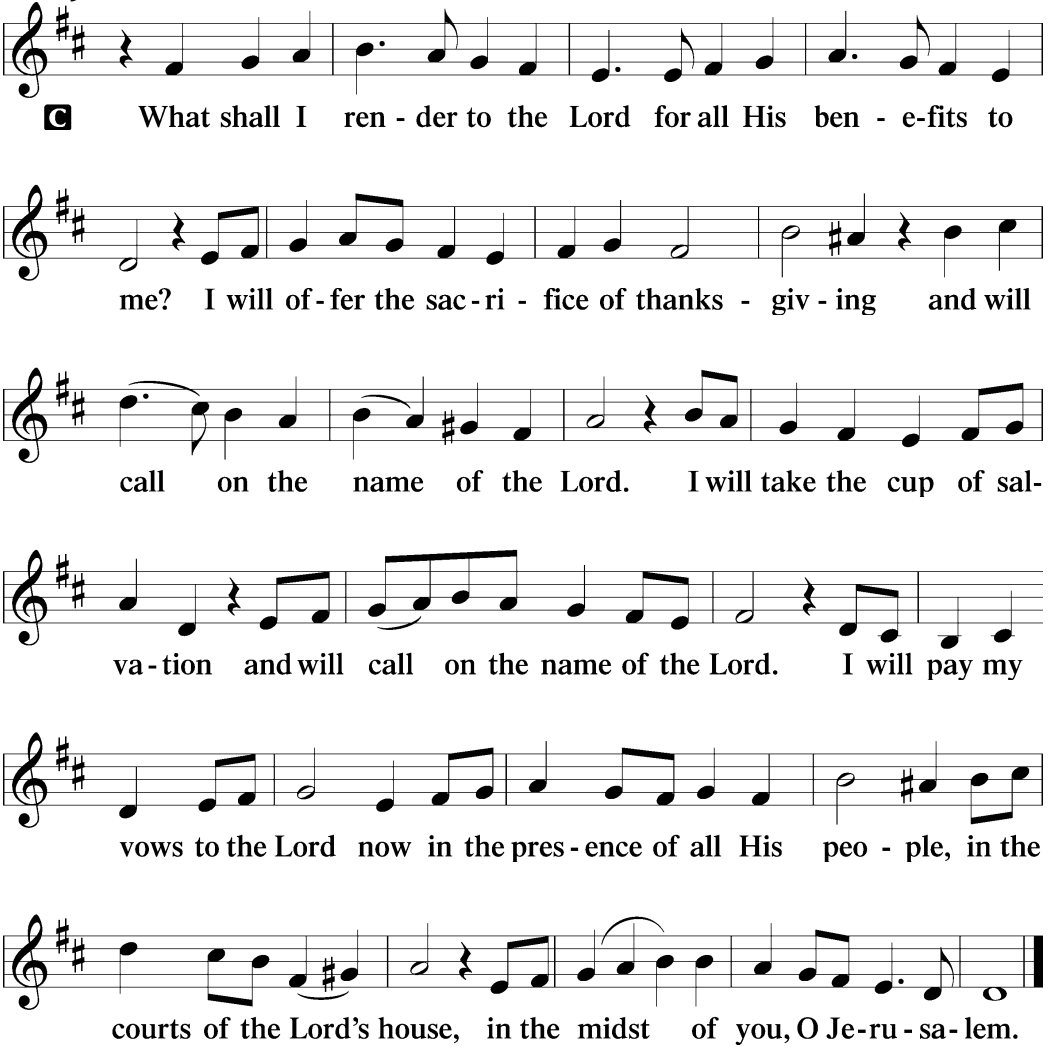
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Offering

Offerings may be left in the plates as you leave (located on either side of the fireplace), mailed to Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 11453 E Wesley Ave, Aurora, CO 80014, or you may give online at https://mtolc.org.

Offertory

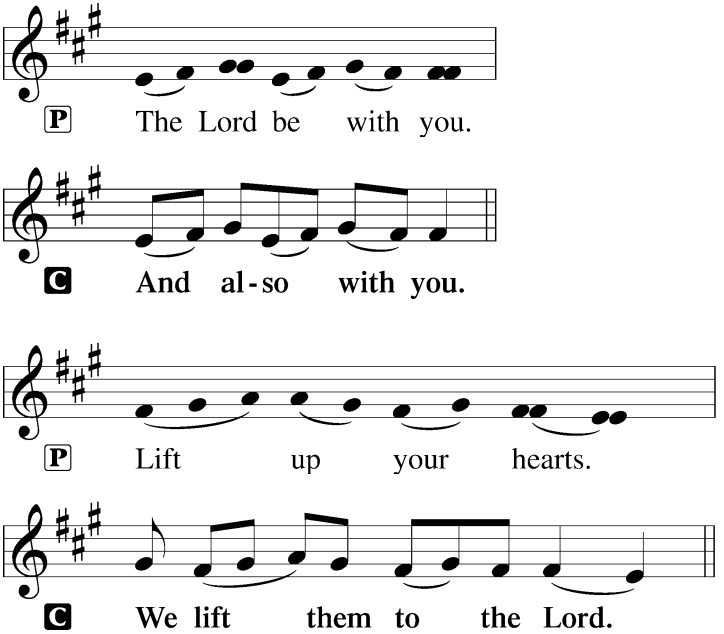


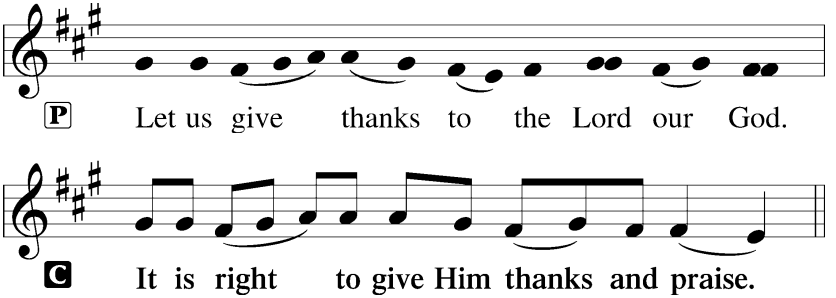
Welcome Christian friends! Please respect what we believe, teach and confess regarding the Lord's Supper.

- Holy Communion is a confession of faith. If you are not currently a confessing member of a Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod congregation please make an appointment to speak with the pastor before communing.
- We celebrate Holy Communion in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins.
- If you are not communing, but would like to come forward for a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

Service of the Sacrament

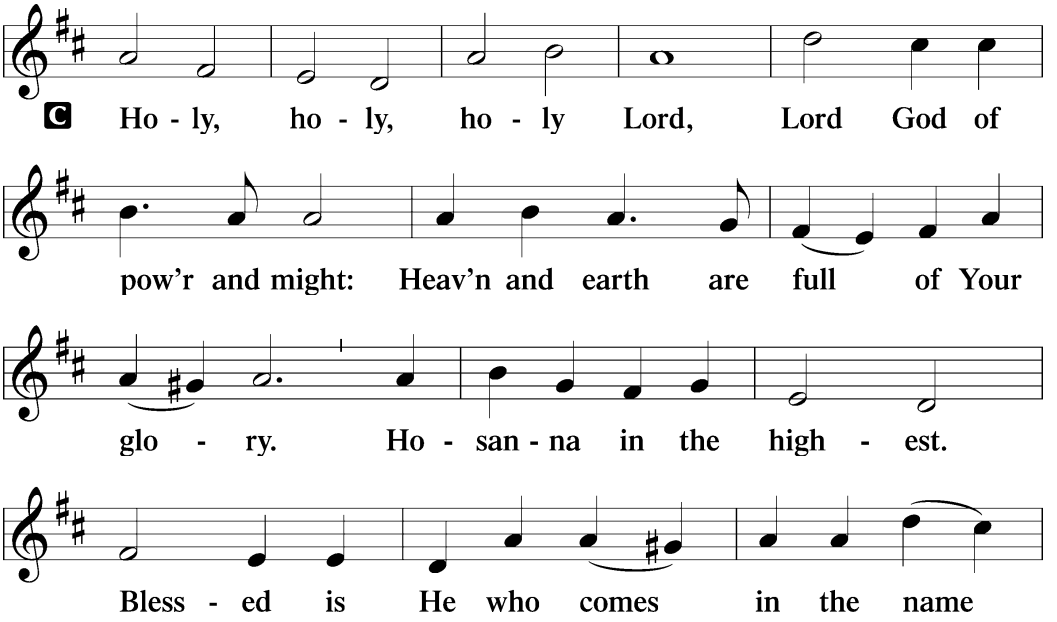
Preface

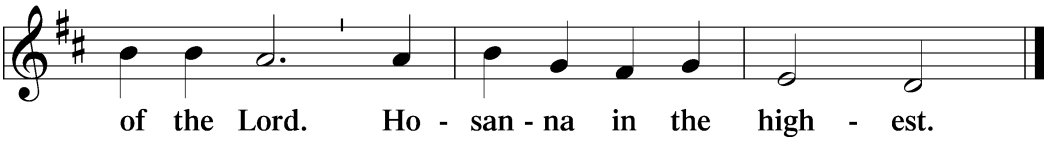




P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. 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





Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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;

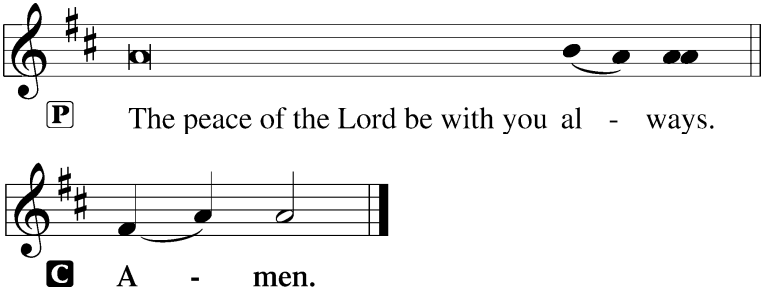
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

℗ 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



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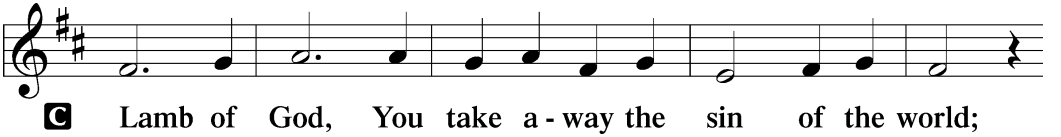

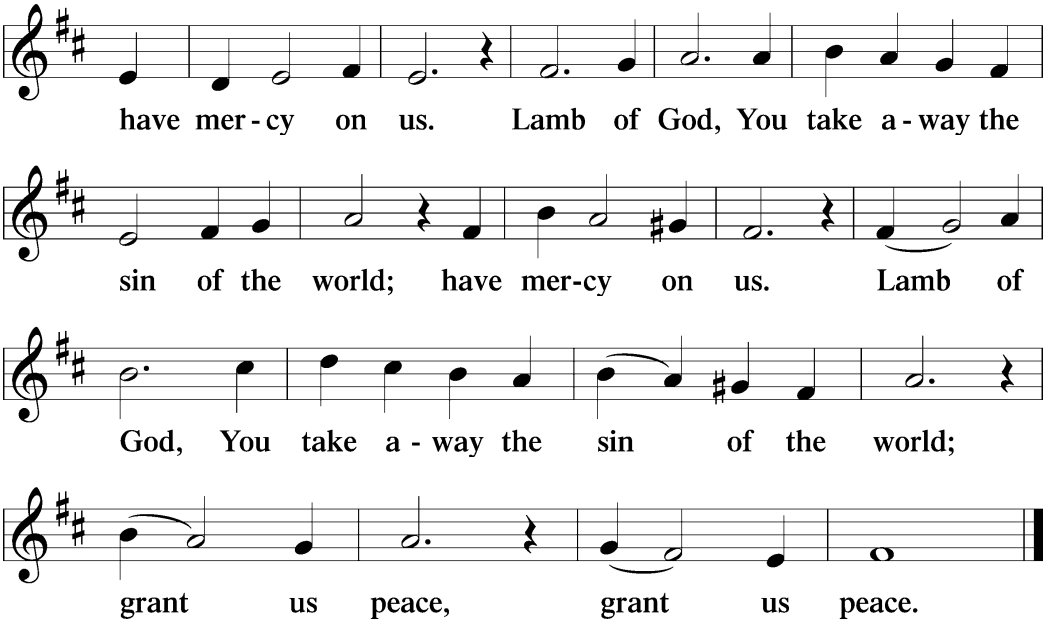

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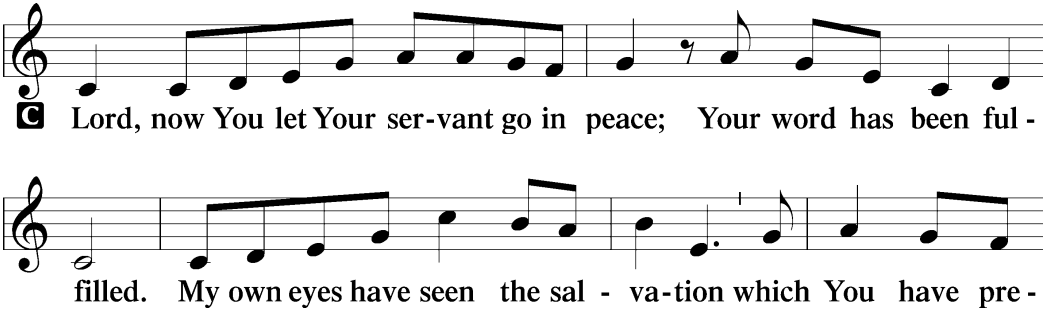
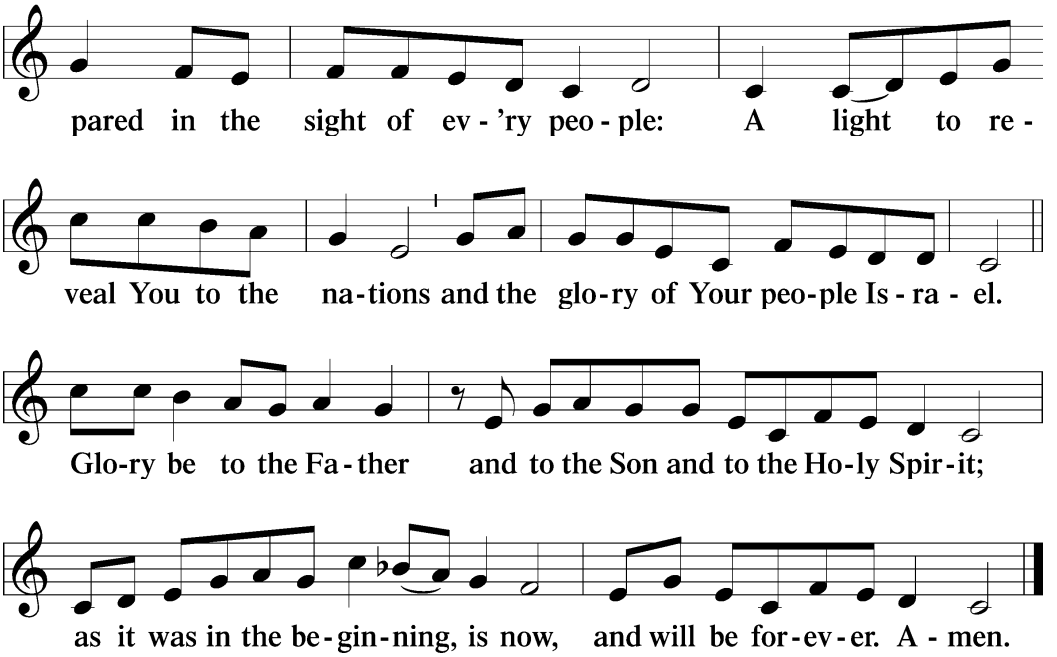
Distribution Hymn: *Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come* LSB 350
Distribution Hymn: *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You* LSB 334

Stand

Nunc Dimittis





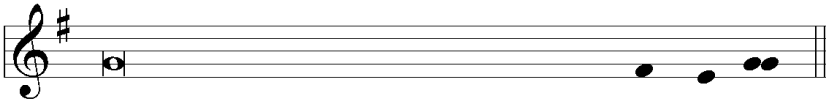
Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

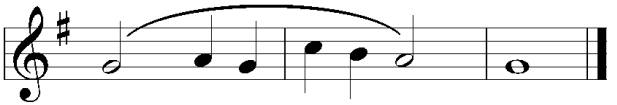
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Benediction



P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✢ give you peace.



Hymn to Depart: *Lift Up Your Heads, You Everlasting Doors* LSB 339

Postlude *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You* K Hildebrand

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Divine Service, Setting Two from Lutheran Service Book

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Everyone is welcome to the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 AM where coffee and donuts are available. Enjoy some fellowship time with our Christian friends.

Vacancy Pastor – Rev. Randy Golter
Organist – Marsha Raebel
Praise Team – Nancy McWhirter, director (11)
Elders – Jim Ellenberger (8:30), Keith Einspahr (11)
Ushers – Mike Brown, Laurie Knight
Greeter – Rosalie Einspahr (11)
Altar Guild – Doris Kilgore, Amy Ludwig



The altar flowers are given by Terry and Jane Dunn with thanksgiving on their 55th wedding anniversary.

This Week

11/29	**Sunday**	8:30 AM	Traditional Worship
		9:30 AM	Fellowship
		10 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
		11 AM	Contemporary Worship
		12 PM	Spirit Ringers, Ladies & Men's Bible Studies
12/1	**Tuesday**	1 PM	Praise Team
12/2	**Wed.**	10:30 AM	Midweek Advent Service
		11:30 AM	Advent Lunch
		5 PM	Chamber Ensemble
		5:45 PM	Book Club
		6 PM	Bel Canto
		7 PM	Midweek Advent Service
		7:45 PM	Chancel Choir
12/3	**Thursday**	6 PM	Brass Choir
12/5	**Saturday**	3 PM	Confirmation
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See The Loop for a complete list of activities and details at mtolc.org

Adult Bible Study
Sundays at 10 am
"Tell Me More About…" Series

This week's topic is **"What was all the Fuss about in 1973 and 1974: the Walkout?"**

Sunday School

Children are welcome to join us each Sunday morning. We have two classes available. Junior Sunday school is for children in pre-K through elementary school, and Senior Sunday school is for those in confirmation through 8th grade. Both classes start at 10 am in the sanctuary for spirit singing with Nancy.



Advent Midweek Services

December 2, 9, 16

10:30 AM and 7 PM

(Lunch will follow each morning service.)

Lessons and Carols

Sunday, December 20th

One service at 10 AM

Christmas Eve Divine Service

Thursday, December 24th at 6 PM

Christmas Day Divine Service

Friday, December 25th at 10 AM

First Sunday after Christmas

Sunday, December 27th

One service at 10 AM

Call Committee Update

The call committee is actively pursuing a permanent pastor for our church. Please see the bulletin board in the hallway for the latest updates from the call committee. Contact Josh Watt with questions at jpewdev@gmail.com.

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