Looking for extra help in focusing your thoughts for the Lord's Supper? "Christian Questions with Their Answers" was prepared by Luther to address just that. They can be found in your hymnal on pages 329-330. Review them if you get to church early, or during the offering, or if you are waiting to be invited forward.

All Saint's Sunday

November 1, 2026

✠ Divine Service III / Holy Communion ✠

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Prayer before Worship:

O Lord, my Creator, Redeemer, and Comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

PRELUDE

RINGING BELL CALLS US TO WORSHIP

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN *LSB 678 We Sing for All the Unsung Saints*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Page 184 (left column)*

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.

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.
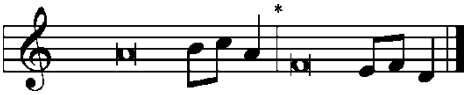
P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

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.

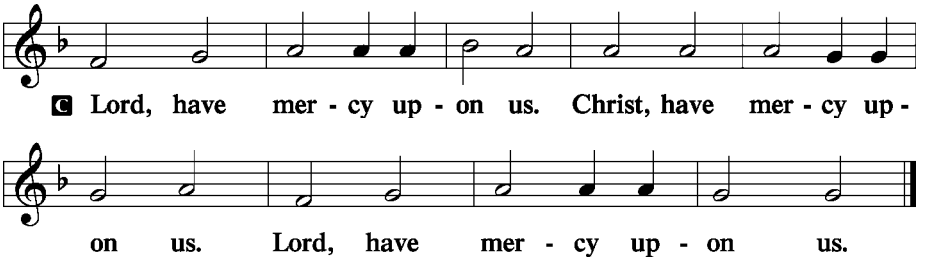
C: AMEN.

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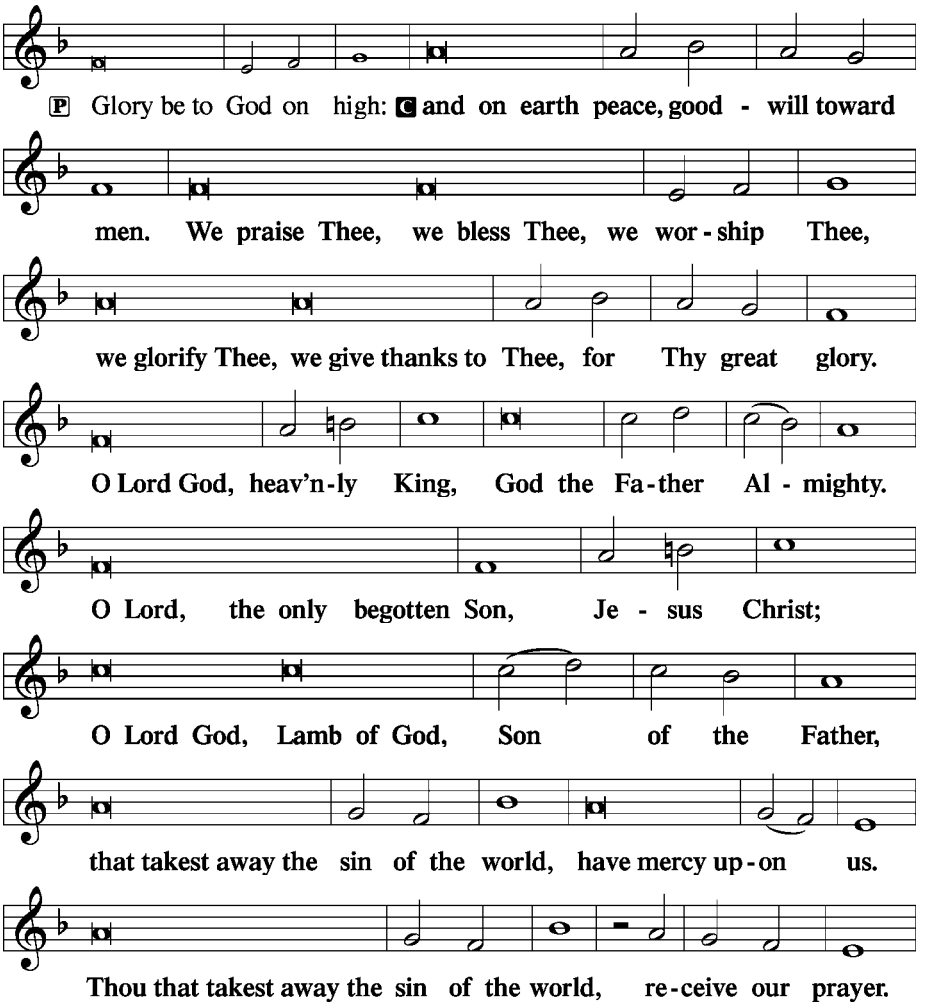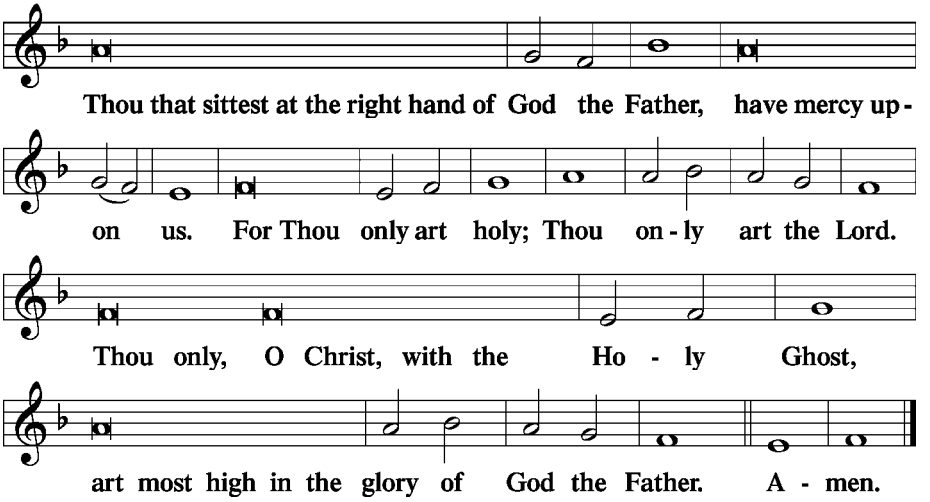


THESE ARE THE ONES COMING OUT OF THE GREAT TRIBU- | LATION.*
THEY HAVE WASHED THEIR ROBES AND MADE THEM WHITE IN THE BLOOD | OF THE LAMB.
IN YOU, O LORD, DO I TAKE REFUGE; LET ME NEVER BE | PUT TO SHAME;*
IN YOUR RIGHTEOUSNESS DE- | LIVER ME.
FOR YOU ARE MY ROCK AND MY | FORTRESS;*
AND FOR YOUR NAME'S SAKE YOU LEAD ME AND | GUIDE ME.
INTO YOUR HAND I COMMIT MY | SPIRIT;*
YOU HAVE REDEEMED ME, O LORD, | FAITHFUL GOD.
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.
THESE ARE THE ONES COMING OUT OF THE GREAT TRIBU- | LATION.*
THEY HAVE WASHED THEIR ROBES AND MADE THEM WHITE IN THE BLOOD | OF THE LAMB.

KYRIE *Lord Have Mercy* *Page 186*



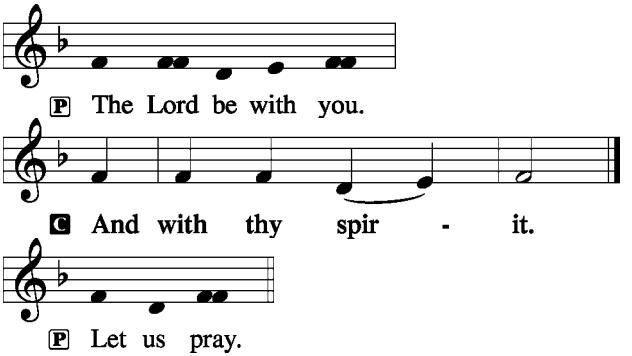
GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *Glory to God in the Highest* *Page 187-89*





SALUTATION

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

C: ALMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING GOD, YOU KNIT TOGETHER YOUR FAITHFUL PEOPLE OF ALL TIMES AND PLACES INTO ONE HOLY COMMUNION, THE MYSTICAL BODY OF YOUR SON, JESUS CHRIST. GRANT US SO TO FOLLOW YOUR BLESSED SAINTS IN ALL VIRTUOUS AND GODLY LIVING THAT, TOGETHER WITH THEM, WE MAY COME TO THE UNSPEAKABLE JOYS YOU HAVE PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE YOU; THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, OUR LORD, WHO LIVES AND REIGNS WITH YOU AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, ONE GOD, NOW AND FOREVER. AMEN.

Please be seated

FIRST READING

Revelation 7:9–17
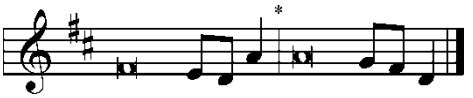
9After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every
nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before
the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, 10and crying out with a
loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God Who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” 11And
all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living
creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12saying,
“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”
13Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes,
and from where have they come?” 14I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me,
“These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and
made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
15“Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple;
and He Who sits on the throne will shelter them with His presence. 16They shall hunger no
more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. 17For
the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their Shepherd, and He will guide them to
springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

PSALM

Psalm 149 *(Sung responsively by whole verse)*



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

LET ISRAEL BE GLAD IN HIS | MAKER;*
LET THE CHILDREN OF ZION REJOICE | IN THEIR KING!

Let them praise His name with | dancing,*
making melody to Him with tambou- | rine and lyre!

FOR THE LORD TAKES PLEASURE IN HIS | PEOPLE;*
HE ADORNS THE HUMBLE WITH SAL- | VATION.

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

LET THE HIGH PRAISES OF GOD BE | IN THEIR THROATS*
AND TWO-EDGED SWORDS | IN THEIR HANDS,

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

TO BIND THEIR | KINGS WITH CHAINS*
AND THEIR NOBLES WITH FET- | TERS OF IRON,
to execute on them the judgment | written!*
This is honor for all His godly ones. | Praise the LORD!
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.

SECOND READING

1 John 3:1–3
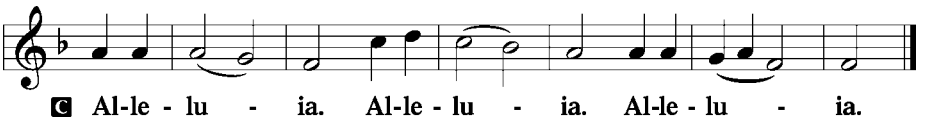
[1]See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know Him. [2]Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when He appears we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him as He is. [3]And everyone who thus hopes in Him purifies himself as He is pure.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

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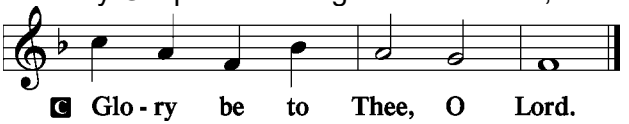
ALLELUIA



HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12
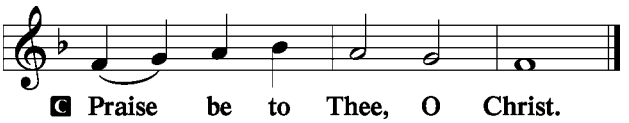
P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.



[1]Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when He sat down, His disciples came to Him.
[2]And He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:
[3]"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
[4]"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
[5]"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
[6]"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

[7]"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.
[8]"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
[9]"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
[10]"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
[11]"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on My account. [12]Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.



NICENE CREED *Page 191*

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.
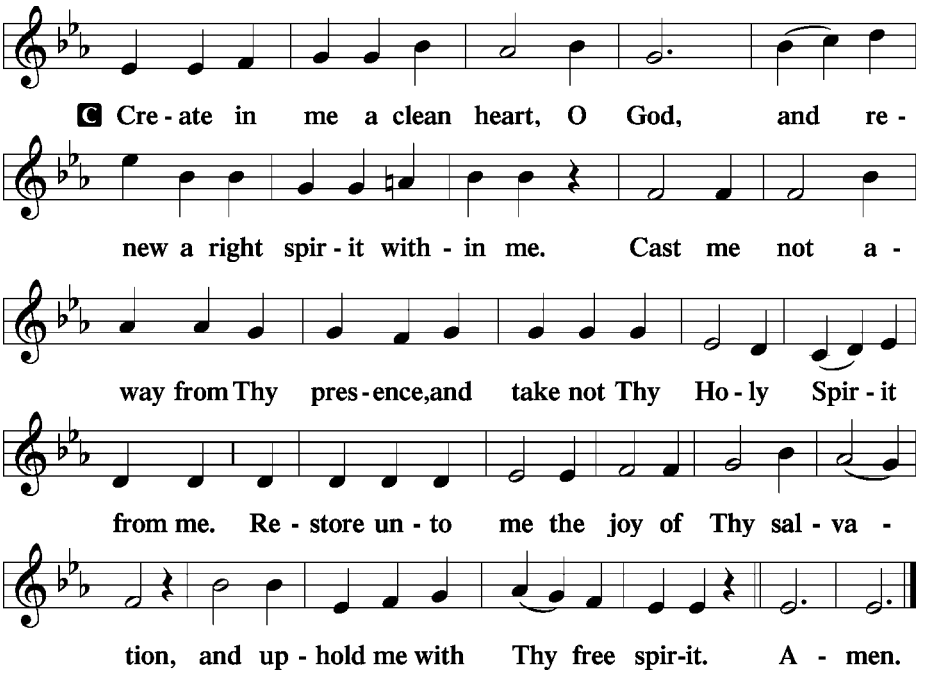
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HYMN OF THE DAY *LSB 677 For All the Saints*

SERMON

Please stand.

OFFERTORY *Create in Me ….* *Pages 192-93*

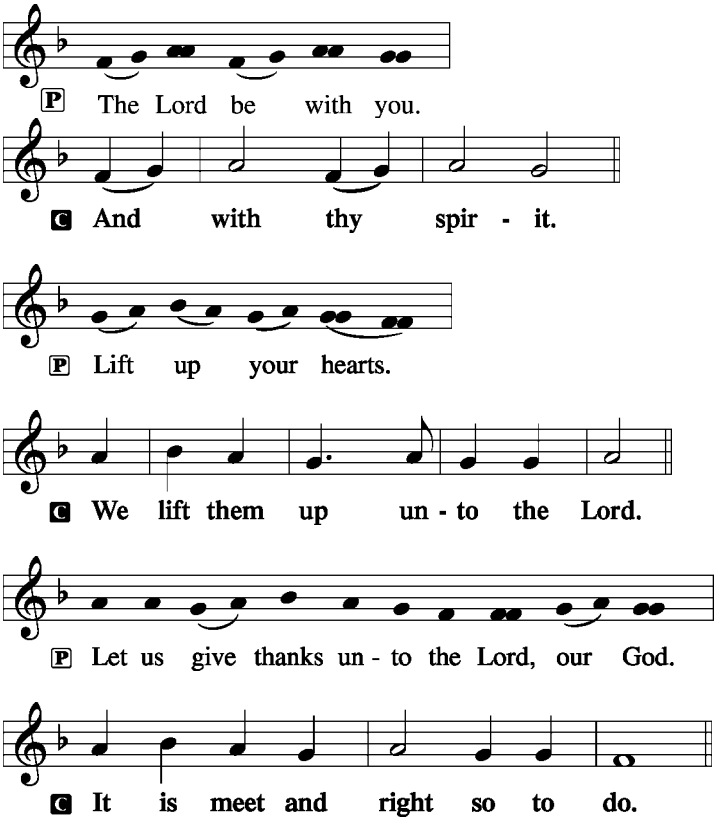


PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

CHOIR VOLUNTARY *All Men Living Are But Mortal* Adult Choir
J.S. Bach

PREFACE

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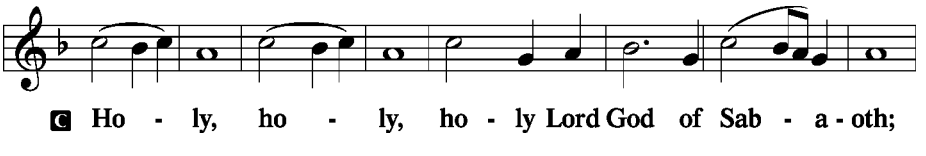


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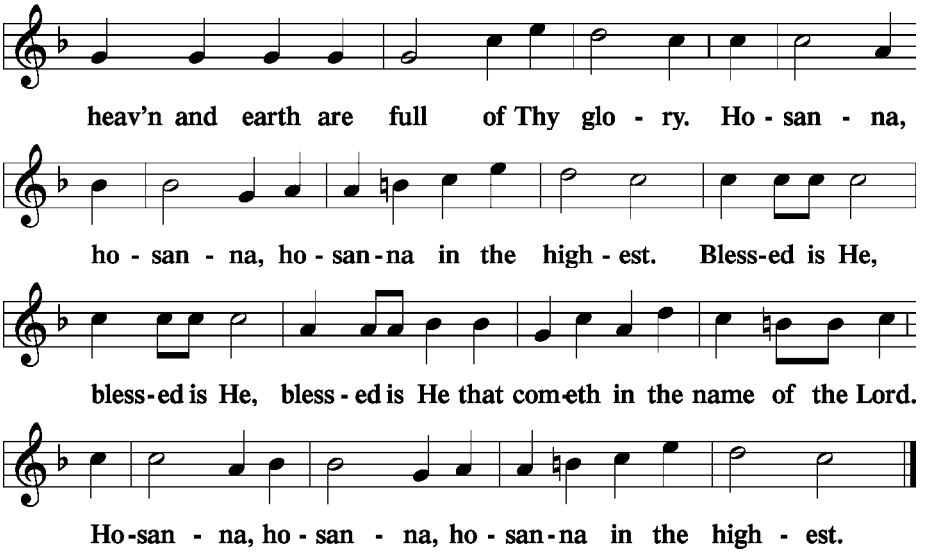
P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. In the communion of all Your saints gathered into the one body of Your Son, You have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, encouraged by their faith and strengthened by their fellowship, may run with perseverance the race that is set before us and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that does not fade away. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy

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LORD'S PRAYER

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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.

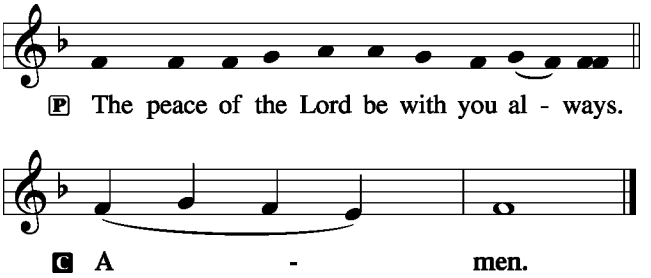
WORDS OF OUR LORD

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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."

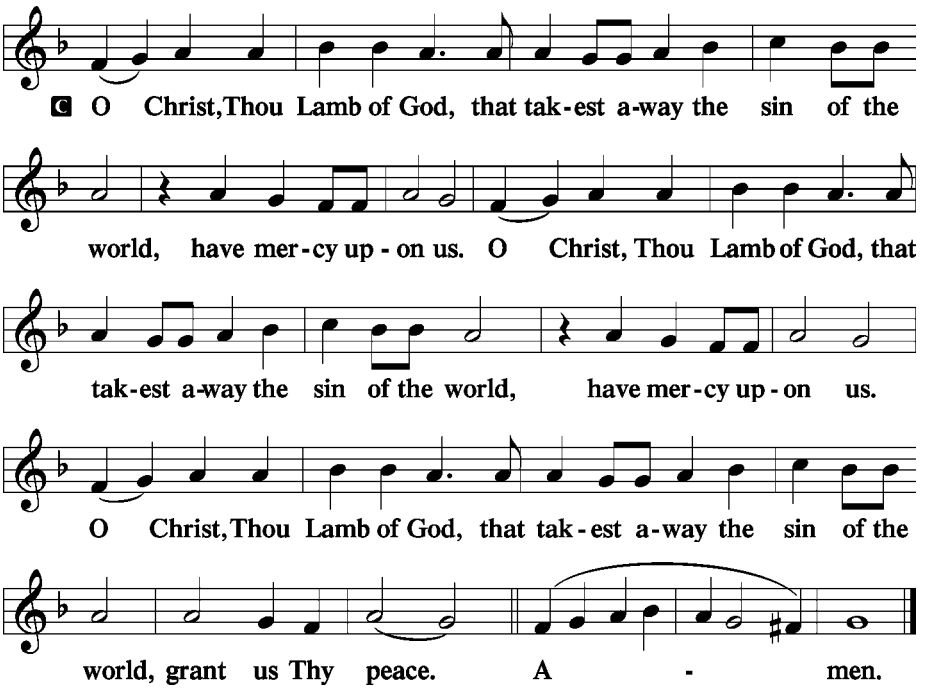
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✢ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI *The Peace of the Lord* *Page 197*



Please be seated

AGNUS DEI *Lamb of God* *Page 198*



Prayer before Communing: Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Thanksgiving after Receiving the Sacrament: Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

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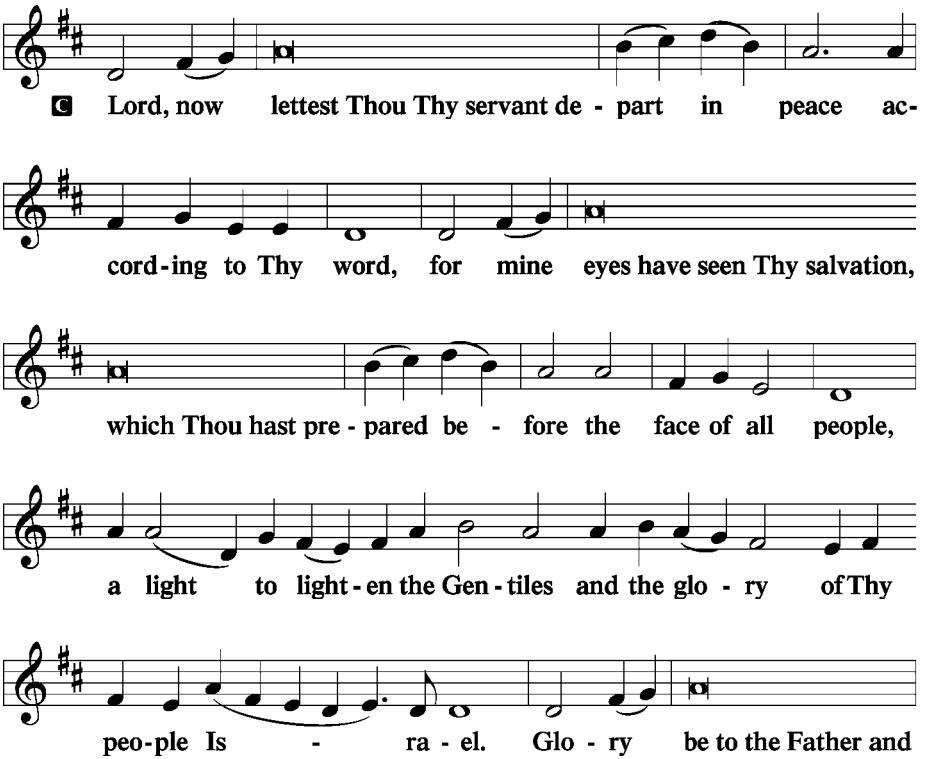
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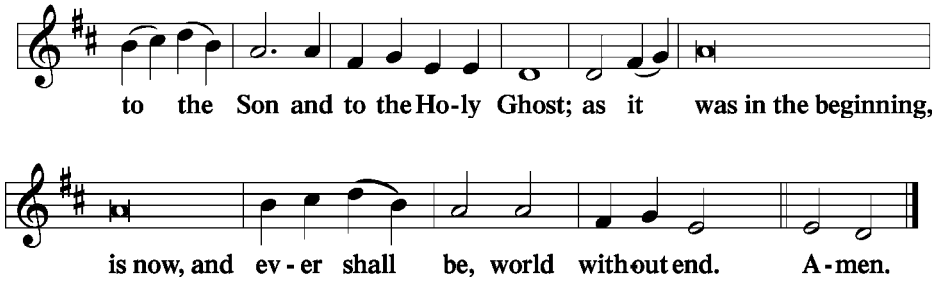
P: May the true Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, and His most precious Blood, strengthen you in true faith, granting you the forgiveness of sins, unto life everlasting.

C: AMEN.

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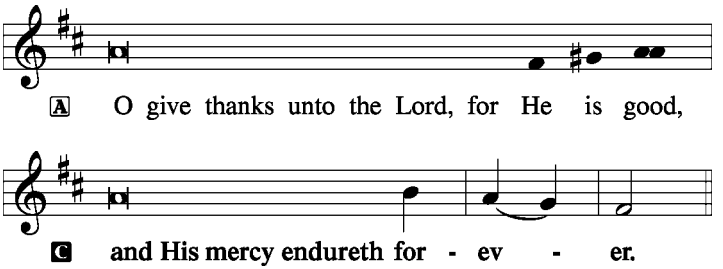
Lord, Now Lettest Thou Thy Servant (Song of Simeon) *Pages 199-200*
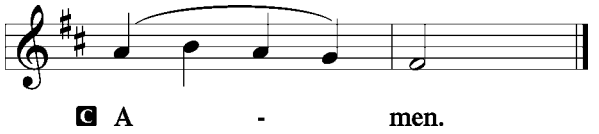




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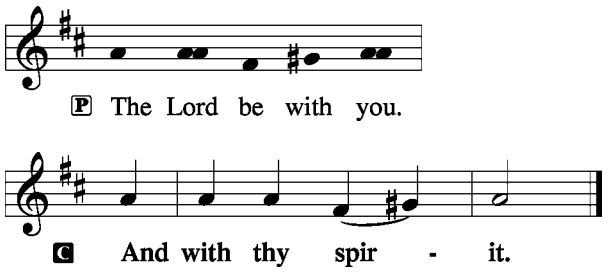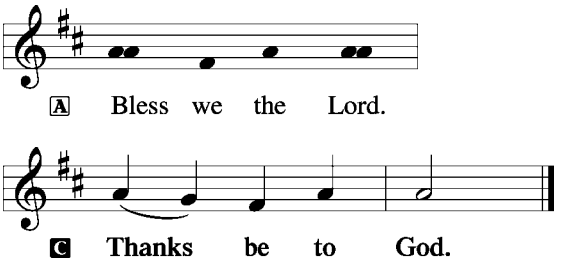


P: Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and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



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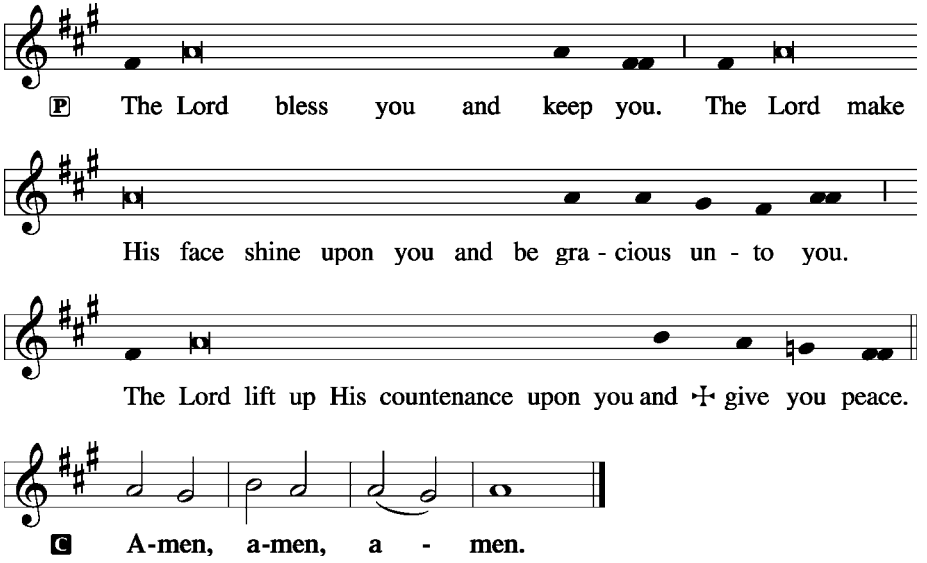
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BENEDICTION

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CLOSING HYMN

LSB 700 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

SILENT PRAYER

Almighty and merciful God, I have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for my many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep me in faith until, with all Your saints, I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

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POSTLUDE

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