Welcome! All are invited into this house of God! Our liturgy is printed within or is found in the ELW Hymnal Setting 8; Congregational responses are in **bold** in the bulletin.

Prayer cards are available at the end of the row. You can fill one out and hand it to our usher during the Hymn of the Day (follows the Sermon).

Children's Bulletins are available in the narthex (entrance area), providing activities on today's scripture readings. Please enjoy.

God is present in **Holy Communion** and welcomes all who are hungry. You are welcome to the table. Non-communing children and adults may come forward for a blessing. Let an usher know if you would like communion at your seat.

Our **Candle Lighting station** is available during worship if you are moved to light a candle as a part of your prayer for someone or something, or in the thanksgiving or sorrows of your heart—especially during communion time as we sing and pray.

In Our Worship on the 25th Sunday after Pentecost: "The end is near" is a theme this month. Zephaniah proclaims the coming day of the Lord filled with distress. Paul says it will come like a thief in the night and urges us to be awake. Jesus tells the parable of the talents, calling us to use our gifts, while we still have time, for the greater and common good. In a world filled with violence and despair, we gather around signs of hope—word, water, bread, and wine—eager to welcome the good news of Christ's coming among us.

Serving Today ***Greeter:*** Judy Carlin ***Usher:*** Debbie Hansen ***Altar Guild*****:** Annette Warner
Musicians: Juliana Carmona, Heinz Denoyo, Olivia Knock ***Reader:*** Linda Zimmerman
Asst Min/Cantor: Sharon Scagliotti ***Tech*****:** Alex Kjorvestad
Counters**:** Alissa Sykes & Sigrun Coffman ***Coffee Hour:*** Open ***Pastor:*** Shaun O'Reilly

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-GATHERING-

The bell is rung and calls all to a time of silence in preparation for worship.
Prayers for this time are found on pg. 72 in the front of the hymnal.

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *please stand as you are able*

The presiding minister invites all to a time of silent confession.
After each silence, a part of the Kyrie is sung.

Kyrie, Kyrie eleison.
Christe, Christe eleison.
Kyrie, Kyrie eleison.

GATHERING HYMN ***Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*** **ELW #836**



Joyful, joyful we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,
praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with
joy surround thee,
earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird, and flowing fountain
call us to rejoice in thee.

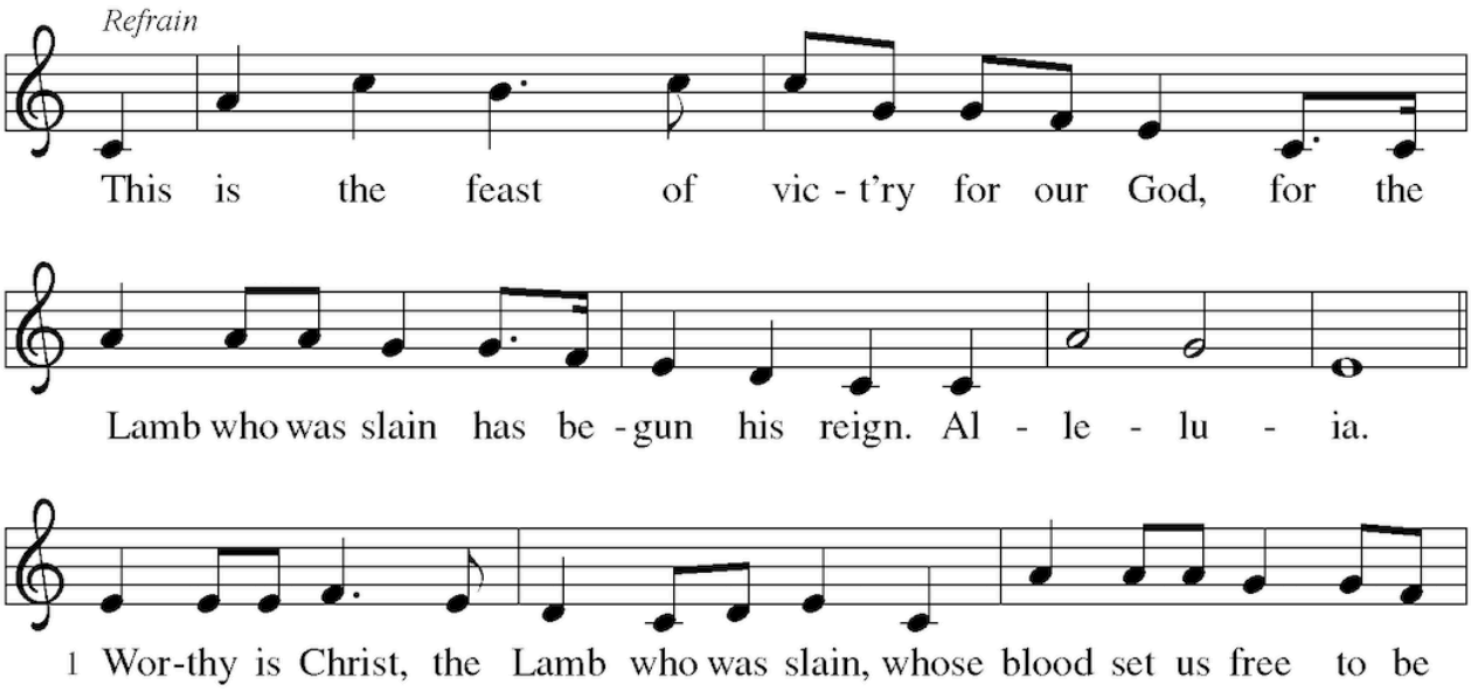
Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine!

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852-1922

GREETING

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 ***This is the Feast*** **ELW Setting 8**




peo-ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
Refrain
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of
vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -
le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,
glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
Final refrain
This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the
Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

-WORD-

FIRST READING: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

7 Be silent before the Lord God, for the day of the Lord is at hand!
The Lord has prepared a sacrifice; he has consecrated his guests.

12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people
who settle like dregs in wine, those who say in their hearts, "The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm." 13 Their wealth shall be plundered and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them.
14 The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter; the warrior cries aloud there.
15 That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
16 a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

17 I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind;
because they have sinned against the Lord,
their blood shall be poured out like dust and their flesh like dung.
18 Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them
on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion
the whole earth shall be consumed, for a full, a terrible end
he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Word of God, word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALMODY: Psalm 90:1-8, 12

1 Lord, you have | been our refuge from one generation | to another.
**2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the | earth were born,
from age to age | you are God.**
3 You turn us back to the | dust and say, "Turn back, O child- | ren of earth."
**4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when | it is past
and like a watch | in the night;**

5 you sweep them away | like a dream, they fade away suddenly | like the grass:
**6 in the morning it is | green and flourishes;
in the evening it is dried | up and withered.**

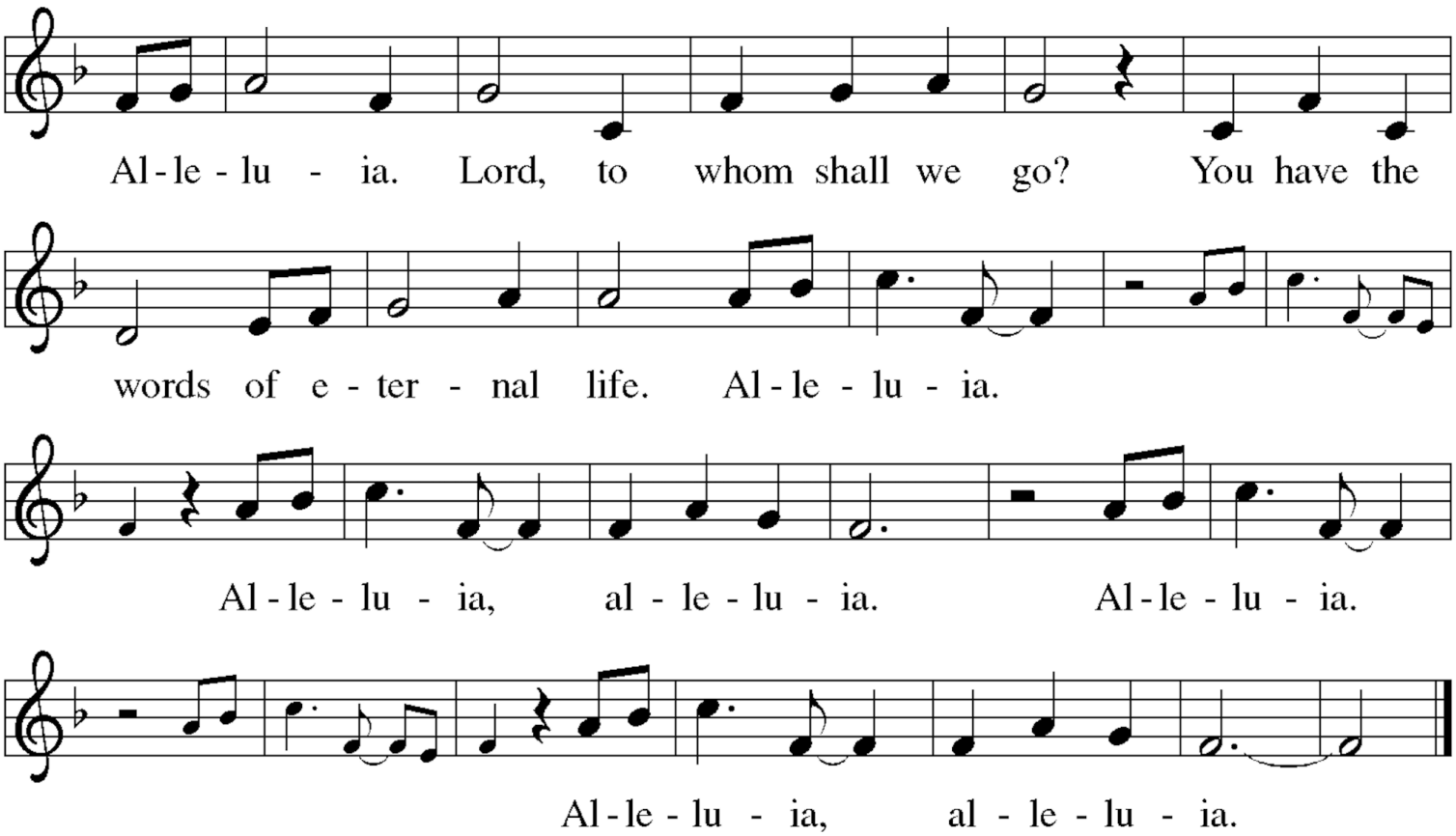
[7] For we are consumed | by your anger; we are afraid because | of your wrath.
[8] Our iniquities you have | set before you,
and our secret sins in the light | of your countenance.

[12] So teach us to num- | ber our days that we may apply our | hearts to wisdom.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

[1] Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. [2] For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. [3] When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! [4] But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; [5] for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. [6] So, then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober, [7] for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. [8] But since we belong to the day, let us be sober and put on the breastplate of faith and love and for a helmet the hope of salvation. [9] For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, [10] who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. [11] Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing. Word of God, word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *please stand as you are able*



The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the twenty-fifth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30

[Jesus said to the disciples:] 14 "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his
slaves and entrusted his property to them; 15 to one he gave five talents, to another
two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. At once 16 the
one who had received the five talents went off and traded with them and made five
more talents. 17 In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more
talents. 18 But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the
ground and hid his master's money. 19 After a long time the master of those slaves came
and settled accounts with them. 20 Then the one who had received the five talents came
forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents;
see, I have made five more talents.' 21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and
trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of
many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 22 And the one with the two talents also
came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made
two more talents.' 23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you
have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter
into the joy of your master.' 24 Then the one who had received the one talent also came
forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not
sow and gathering where you did not scatter, 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your
talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' 26 But his master replied, 'You wicked
and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow and gather where I
did not scatter? 27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on
my return I would have received what was my own with interest. 28 So take the talent
from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 29 For to all those who have, more
will be given, and they will have an abundance, but from those who have nothing, even
what they have will be taken away. 30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the
outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

SERMON ***You Knew, Did You?*** **Pastor Shaun O'Reilly**

HYMN OF THE DAY ***Christ Be Our Light*** **ELW #715 vs. 1,2,5**

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church
gathered today.

Refrain

2 **Longing for peace, our world is troubled.**
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. *Refrain*

3 **Longing for food, many are hungry.**
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed. *Refrain*

4 **Longing for shelter, many are homeless.**
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stone. *Refrain*

5 **Many the gifts, many the people,**
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
signs of your kingdom come. *Refrain*



Text: Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957

RESPONSE OF FAITH **Apostle's Creed**

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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

- MEAL -

ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACTIVITIES

OFFERING ***"Wisdom and Grace" (based on Psalm 90)*** *- Sandra McCracken*

We are faithful community together, and so we give together.
You can also scan the QR code or give on our website.



PRESENTATION HYMN ***Let Justice Flow like Streams*** **ELW #717**

Let justice flow like streams
of sparkling water, pure,
enabling growth, refreshing life,
abundant, cleansing, sure.

Let righteousness roll on
as others' cares we heed,
an ever-flowing stream of faith
translated into deed.

So may God's plumb line, straight,
define our measure true,
and justice, right, and peace pervade
this world our whole life through.

Text: Jane Parker Huber, b. 1926

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions.

Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

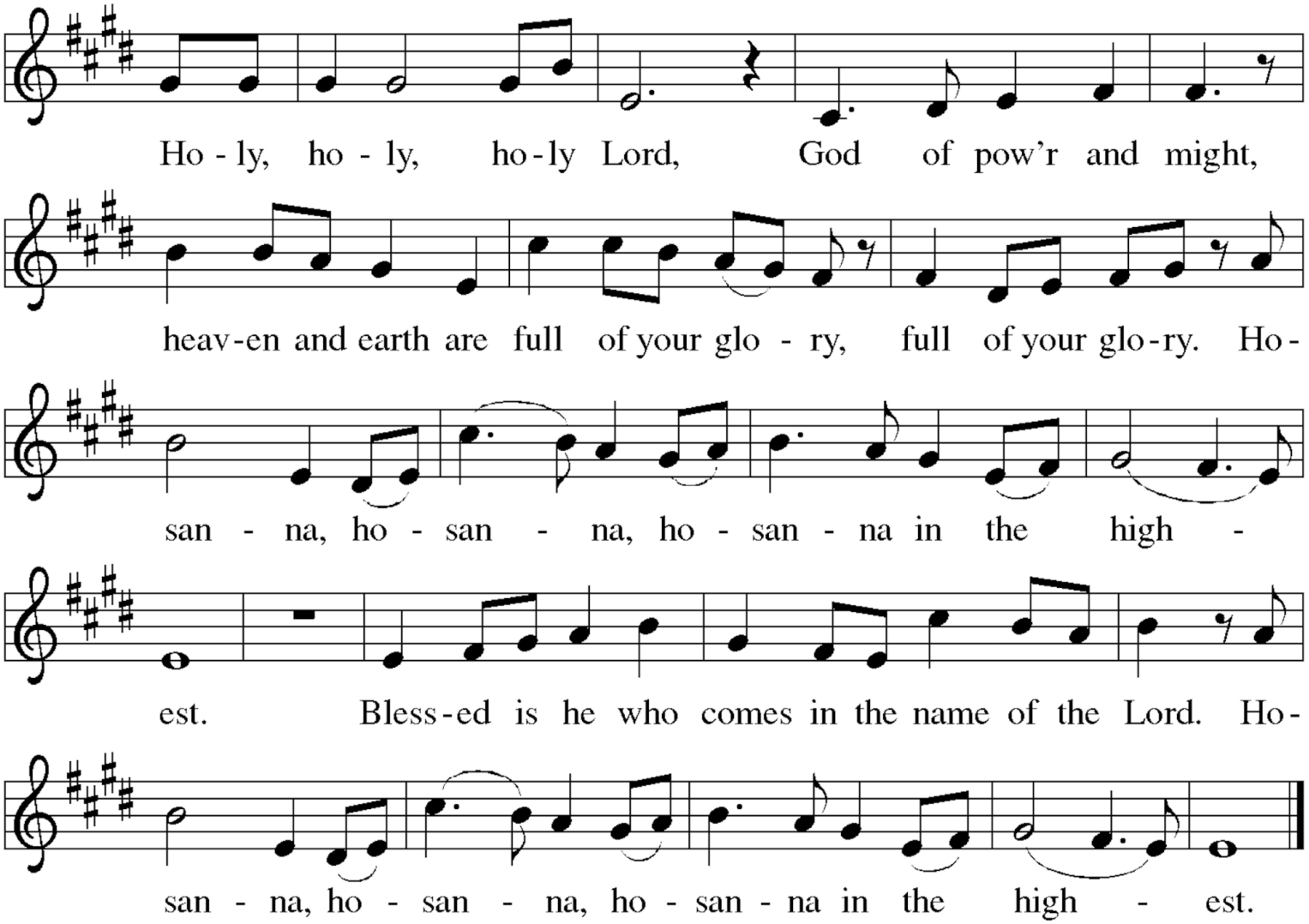
GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also 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

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy…
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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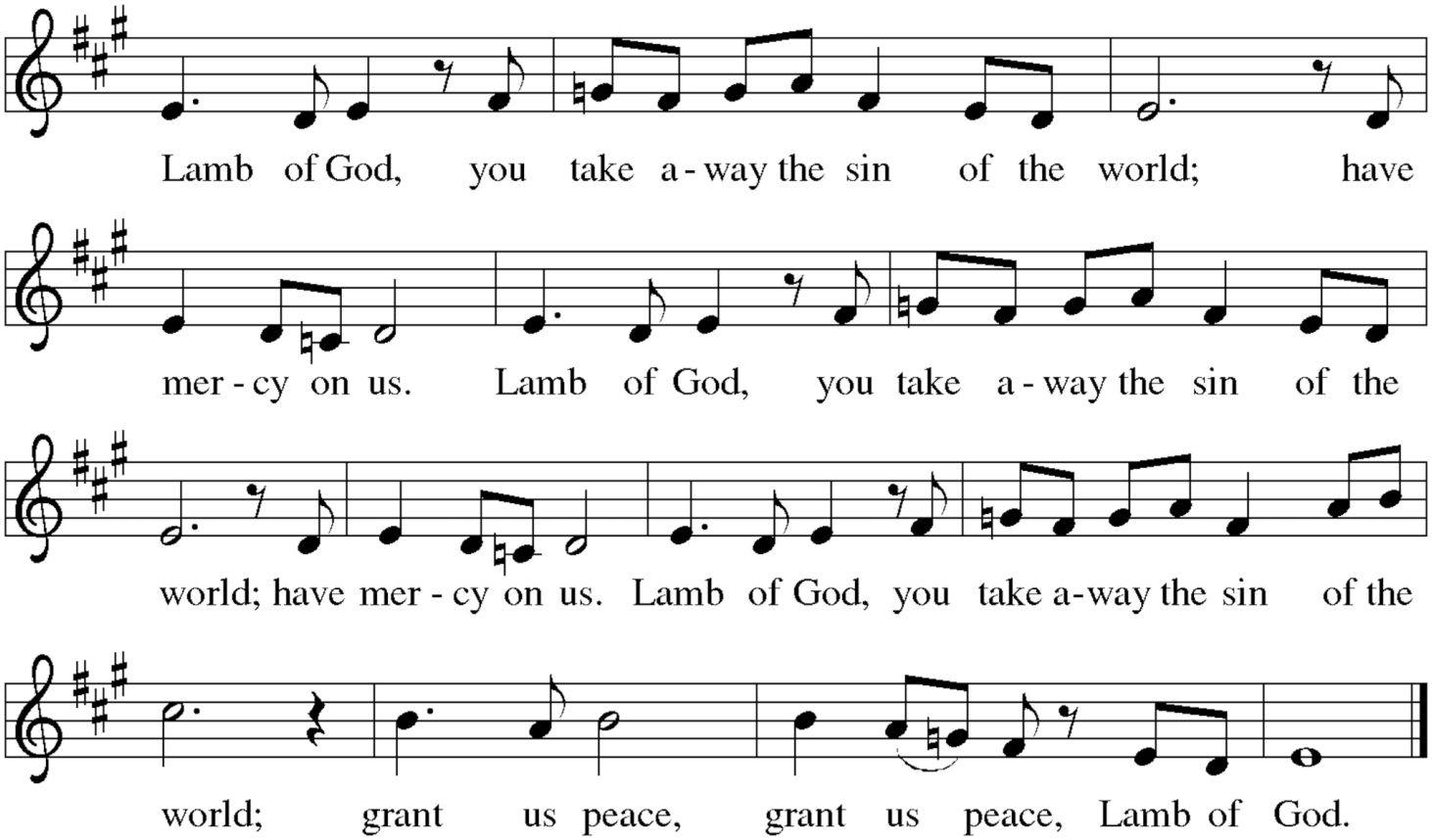
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

COMMUNION & HYMNS

AGNUS DEI



Communion Hymn ***Blest are They*** **ELW #728**

Blest are they, the poor in Spirit
Theirs is the kingdom of God
Blest are they, full of sorrow
They shall be consoled

Refrain
Rejoice and be glad
Blessed are you, holy are you
Rejoice and be glad
Yours is the kingdom of God

Blest are they, the lowly ones
They shall inherit the Earth
Blest are they, who hunger and thirst
They shall have their fill *Refrain*

Blest are they, who show mercy
Mercy shall be theirs
Blest are they, the pure of heart
They shall see God *Refrain*

Blest are they, who seek peace
They are the children of God
Blest are they who suffer in faith
The glory of God is theirs *Refrain*

Blest are you, who suffer hate
All because of me
Rejoice and be glad,
yours is the kingdom
Shine for all to see *Refrain*



Communion Hymn ***In the Lord I'll be Ever Thankful***
Taize Community

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God, do not be afraid.
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near,
lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

Communion Hymn ***For the Bread Which You Have Broken*** **ELW #494**

1 ***For the bread which you have broken,***
for the wine which you have poured,
for the words which you have spoken,
now we give you thanks, O Lord.

2 ***By this promise that you love us,***
by your gift of peace restored,
by your call to heav'n above us,
hallow all our lives, O Lord.

3 ***With the saints who now adore you,***
seated at the heav'nly board,
may the church still waiting for you
keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.

4 ***In your service, Lord, defend us;***
in our hearts keep watch and ward;
in the world to which you send us
let your kingdom come, O Lord.

Text: Louis F. Benson, 1855-1930, alt. Robert F. Jefferys Jr.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- SENDING -

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN ***Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*** **ELW #674**

Let us talents and tongues employ,
reaching out with a shout of joy:
bread is broken, the wine is poured,
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Refrain

Jesus lives again,
earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around:
loaves abound!

Christ is able to make us one,
at the table he sets the tone,
teaching people to live to bless,
love in word and in deed express.

Refrain

Jesus calls us in, sends us out
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere!

Refrain

Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929



DISMISSAL Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Art Used in this Bulletin: Martin Erspamer, OSB, Art for Year A, 2026

We are Grateful for the Flowers in our Worship Space:
Given today by Perralina Palm, in honor of the birthdays of Carlette and Raneasha Henderson

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Our Giving and Tithes:
Monthly church budget for 2026 is: **$17,169.17**
Recent giving for the month of **October 2026** was **$14,799.**

In Our Prayers

To add a prayer request, please contact the church office or email your request to prayers@faithlutheranreno.org

We pray for presence and healing to **Carolyn Cramer,** undergoing hip replacement Monday, Nov. 16th. God grant a successful surgery and great recovery.

For healing strength to **Cole Powell**, continued wellness for **Katie Weldon, Pat Porter, Sharon Scagliotti, and Charley Watts.**
with **Davyann Schalnat,** for healing & strength after her hip replacement on 10/26.

with **Theresa Wolken** for friend, **Dawn**, dealing with bladder cancer, and friend, **Gail**, hospitalized with meningitis.

with **Cheri Daur,** for healing and strength.

with **Ray Olson** for healing after knee surgeries.

with **Sonja Dresbach who writes:** I want to say thank you to everyone who has been praying for my family. God hears our prayers and all are doing well. *Son in Law, **Chuck** had his kidney transplant surgery on the 27th and the surgery went very well. The kidney started working right away and he is being released from the hospital today, Friday. He will stay at their hotel and continue at Mayo for follow up. Everything has gone much better than we expected. *Great grandson, **Austin** is gaining weight and doing very well. Now at 9 lbs 2 ozs. *God Daughter, **Karen** (Lindsay) Burke came thru her gall bladder surgery and all is healing. She is still in CA doing follow up. Thank you for your prayers.

With **Lynn McLellan**, giving thanks for the safe birth of **Martina**, praying for healing to **Joan** who suffered a stroke, and continued prayers for **Sam** battling cancer and **Theresa and family** after the loss of their husband and father.

With **Sharon Scagliotti for** continued healing and strength to **Carlo DeSantis** after a bad motorcycle accident.

November Worship Schedule 2026					
Task	**1st**	**8th**	**15th**	**22nd**	**29th**
Greeter	**Erica W**	**Debbie H**	**Judy C**	**Kathy W**	**Linda Z**
Reader	**Judi H**	**Kristine S**	**Linda Z**	**Sigrun C**	**Matthew R**
***Asst. Minister**	**Todd M**	**Matthew R**	**Sharon S**	**Louis L**	**Erica W**
***Cantor**	**Todd M**	**Matthew R**	**Sharon S**	**Louis L**	**Wes G**
Usher	**Sam S**	**Amanda O**	**Debbie H**	**Eileen W**	**Tom L**
***Altar Guild**	**Kathy W Eileen W**	**Annette W**	**Annette W**	**Sharon S Diane Y**	**O'Reillys**
Tech Support	**Alex K**	**Eric W**	**Alex K**	**Eric W**	**Alex K**
Musicians	**Juliana C Heinz D**	**Juliana C Heinz D**	**Juliana C Heinz D Olivia K**	**Juliana C Heinz D Olivia K**	**Juliana C Heinz D Olivia K**
***Counters**	**Theresa W Linda Z**	**Alissa S Linda Z**	**Alissa S Sigrun C**	**Theresa W Sigrun C**	**Linda Z Alissa S**
Coffee after Worship	**All Saints' Day**	**Erica W**			**Zimmermans**

Comments from the Cloud of Witnesses

The soul is like a housewife who has put all her household in good order and prudently arranged it and well disposed it; she has taken good care that nothing will damage it, her provision for the future is wise, she knows exactly what she is going, she acquires and discards, she does what is proper, she avoids mistakes, and always she knows how everything should be. So it is with the soul: the soul is all love, and love rules in the soul, mighty and powerful, working and resting, doing and not doing, and all which is in the soul and comes to the soul is according to Love's will. For it is Love's power that has seized the soul and led it, sheltered and protected it, given it prudence and wisdom and the sweetness and the strength which belong to love. Like the fish, swimming in the vast sea and resting in its deeps, and like the bird, boldly mounting high in the sky, so the soul feels its spirit freely moving through the vastness and the depth and the unutterable richness of Love.

—Beatrice of Nazareth

[Beatrice of Nazareth, trans. Eric Colledge, in Medieval Women's Visionary Literature, ed. Elizabeth Alvilda Petroff (New York: Oxford University Press, 1986), 204.]

Activities at Faith

- **Men's Breakfast, Saturday Nov. 14th 8:30am** at Faith. Guys: join us!

-Adult Forum and **Kids' Place meet today!** The November Adult Forum considers **The End Is Near… and So Is the Beginning -** As our year with the Gospel of Matthew wraps up, the readings take us into Jesus' final parables. Each week we'll take up one of the questions Matthew leaves ringing in our ears: *Are you ready? What did you do with what you were given? Who did you see?*

-Save the Date for the Adult Forum: PRAYERS FOR OLD FOLKS - All of Faith's old folks are invited after worship on **Dec. 6 and 13, 11am – 12 pm,** to gather to learn and explore two prayers that speak to some of the significant experiences of older people.
Grab a flyer in the Narthex (They are blue!)

- Save the Date: **Faith Christmas Concert** (with our musicians and members!) **Saturday Dec 12 at 2:00pm** with the theme of "Christmas Memories." Friends welcome! Players, please turn in your music choice to Pr Shaun & Sharon. :)

-This Month's **Evening Vespers** will be like a ***Thanksgiving Service.*** Join us! 6pm on **Wednesday night, Nov. 18th.**



-Young Adult Group **LovingKindness Collective** – Meets **Thurs. 11/19,** this time at Sheppard Gallery at UNR. 5pm-8pm for a reception for Art Installation: *Without Mountains and Rivers Without End.*