

CROSS OF GLORY

Lutheran Church & School



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Sunday 9am Worship

GROWING IN FAITH — LIVING IN GRACE — SHARING HIS GLORY

Welcome to our Worship Center

*God defines a church as people gathering around Word and Sacrament.
As you join us in this gathering, we pray that Jesus' peace and power will fill you.*

WORSHIP FOCUS



The cartoon character holds a sign saying, "The End Is Near." For Christians, this is not a message of fear. Instead, it is a message of watchful hope. Scripture teaches that the End Times began with Christ's first coming, especially his death and resurrection. Christ will come again on judgment day. Now we live in that in-between time, when salvation has been won, but full glory is still to come. It's the beginning of the end. Jesus himself makes clear that no one knows the day or hour of his return. This uncertainty is not meant to trouble us, but to keep us spiritually awake. Each day becomes an opportunity to live in repentance and faith, turning from sin and trusting fully in Christ's finished work for us. Our preparation for the end is not about trying to predict signs or earn God's favor. Instead, it is about remaining rooted in Jesus: hearing the Word, receiving the sacraments, and trusting the promises of forgiveness. These are God's ways of keeping us ready. **"The Beginning of the End"** reminds us that history is moving toward our own death and toward Christ's return. For believers, that end is truly a beginning.

Our path through the last weeks of the church year is:

Oct 4	Speak Truth to Power	Nov 1	Focus on the Future
Oct 11	Invite the Unworthy	Nov 8	Watch for the Final Events
Oct 18	Give to God What is God's	Nov 15	Put Your Affairs in Order
Oct 25	Stay Steadfast	Nov 22	Hope for the best

In the 250th anniversary year of the signing of the Declaration of the Independence of the United States of America, Americans are realizing that our freedoms are not guaranteed forever. What can we do with the limited time we have left to preach the gospel and administer the sacraments without governmental interference? We can do exactly what Jesus advised, giving to God what is God's. We can thank Jesus for fulfilling all righteousness for us, leaving us free to serve our neighbors. God does not need our good works, but our neighbors do. God's Word informs our choice of political activities as we seek to be faithful to our calling as Christian citizens.

VISITOR INFORMATION

New to Cross of Glory? We are so glad you joined us today! We invite you to stay after the service to chat and join us for coffee time.

Would you like to learn more about us? We'd love to get to know you better as well. Connect with Cross of Glory by either:

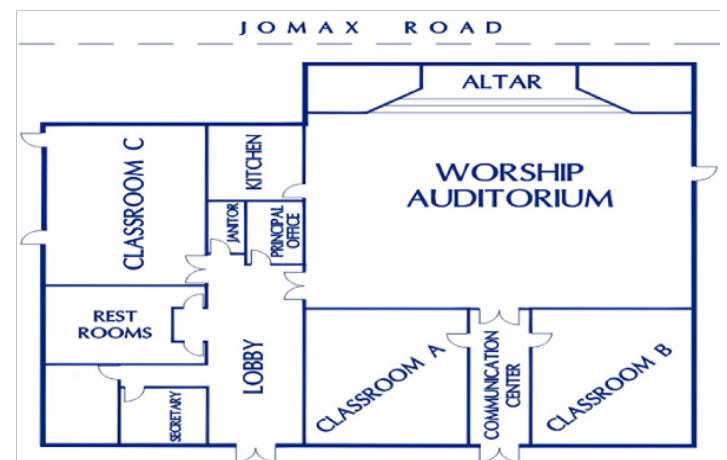


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Emailing us at church.secretary@crossofglory.org

CHURCH MAP



FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

- Restrooms with changing tables located in lobby.
- Nursery for toddlers 2 years and younger accompanied by adult in Classroom A.
- Children in Church Program: Worship is a family affair, something that children best learn from their parents. We encourage parents to guide their children through the service. We invite children to come forward for the Children's Message during the service. Let's work together to bring up the next generation in the Word of the Lord!

SERVICE SETTING 3 AND LORD'S SUPPER

OPENING HYMN: BEFORE YOU, LORD, WE BOW

CWH 775



*Hymn of praise,
prayer, or reflection
on the season of the
church year.*

*We follow the advice
of the Apostle Paul to
"teach and admon-
ish one another with
all wisdom through
psalms, hymns, and
songs from the Spirit,
singing to God with
gratitude in your
hearts."*

(Colossians 3:16)



1 Be - fore you, Lord, we bow, our God who reigns a - bove and
2 The na - tion you have blessed may well your love de - clare, from
3 May ev - 'ry moun-tain height, each vale and for - est green, shine
4 Earth, hear your mak - er's voice, your great Re - deem - er own; be -
5 And when in pow'r he comes, oh, may our na - tive land from



rules the world be - low in bound-less pow'r and love. Our thanks we
foes and fears at rest, pro - tect - ed by your care. For this bright
in your Word's pure light and its rich fruits be seen! May ev - 'ry
lieve, o - bey, re - joice, and wor - ship him a - lone. Cast down your
all its rend - ing tombs send forth a glo - rious band, a count - less



bring in joy and praise, our hearts we raise to you, our King!
day, for this fair land—gifts of your hand—our thanks we pay.
tongue be tuned to praise and join to raise a grate - ful song.
pride, your sin de - plore, and bow be - fore the Cru - ci - fied.
throng, with joy to sing to heav'ns high King, sal - va - tion's song!

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*We call upon God
to be present with
us. We worship the
trine God, remem-
bering our Baptism
in his name.*

INVOCATION

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

M: Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

C: Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts. We have offended you and sinned against your holy law. We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done. Have mercy on us, Lord! Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.



*"If we confess our
sins, he is faithful and
just and will forgive
us our sins and purify
us from all unright-
eousness."*

(1 John 1:9)

*Christ said to his dis-
ciples, "If you forgive
anyone his sins, they
are forgiven". The
pastor speaks for
God and announces
God's forgiveness
to those who made
confession.*



This hymn of praise gives the congregation the opportunity to praise God and express joy because Jesus is our victorious Savior.

M: God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

C: Amen.

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to God, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth, and peace to his peo - ple on
earth. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the
Most High, Je - sus Christ. with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men. Glo - ry to God in the
high - est, glo - ry to God, and peace to his peo - ple on
earth, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

THE WORD

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: O Lord our God, so govern the nations on earth and direct the affairs of this world that your church may worship you in peace and joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the



The main thoughts of the day are collected or summarized in this short prayer.

Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING

DANIEL 1:3-21



*We learn from Daniel
how to live in two
kingdoms.*

³The king told Ashpenaz, the chief of his court officials, to bring some young Israelite men from the royal family or from the nobility. ⁴He was to choose young men who had no blemish, who were good looking, who had insight into all kinds of wisdom, who possessed knowledge, understanding, and learning, and who were capable of serving in the king's palace, in order to teach them the literature and language of the Chaldeans. ⁵The king assigned them daily rations from the special royal food and from the king's own wine. He ordered that they should be trained for three years. At the end of training they were to serve the king. ⁶In this group of young men were the Judeans Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. ⁷The chief of the officials gave them new names. He gave Daniel the name Belteshazzar, Hananiah the name Shadrak, Mishael the name Meshak, and Azariah the name Abednego.

⁸Daniel made up his mind that he would not defile himself with the special food of the king or with the wine that he drank. So he sought permission from the chief official, so that he would not have to defile himself. ⁹God made the chief of the officials favorable and sympathetic toward Daniel. ¹⁰Then the chief of the officials said to Daniel, "I am afraid of my lord the king, who assigned your food and your drink. Why should he see your faces looking less healthy than those of the other young men who are your age? You put my life at risk before the king."

¹¹Daniel said to the superintendent whom the chief of the officials had placed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, ¹²"Please test your servants for ten days. Tell them to give us only vegetables, and we will eat them and drink water. ¹³Observe our appearance and the appearance of the young men who eat the special royal food. Then deal with your servants based on what you see." ¹⁴So he listened to what they said about this and tested them for ten days.

¹⁵At the end of ten days, their appearance was noticeably better than that of the others. They were healthier than any of the young men who had been eating the special royal food. ¹⁶So the superintendent permanently took away the special royal food and the wine they were to drink and gave them only vegetables. ¹⁷As for these four young men, God gave them knowledge and insight into all kinds of literature, as well as wisdom. In addition, Daniel also understood every kind of vision and dream.

¹⁸At the end of the time which the king had set for them to be brought to him, the chief of the officials brought them before Nebuchadnezzar.

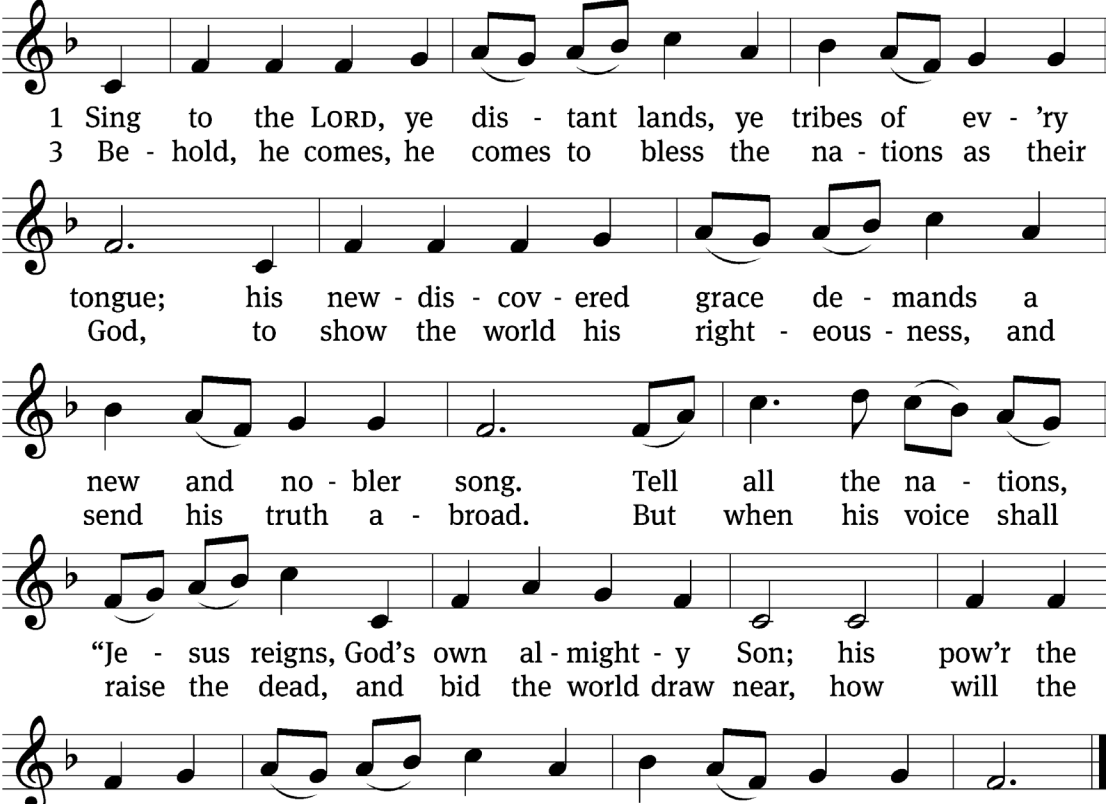
¹⁹The king spoke with them, and none of the others were found to be comparable to Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. So they served the king. ²⁰In every matter concerning wisdom and understanding that the king sought from them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and spell casters in his entire kingdom. ²¹So Daniel remained there until the first year of King Cyrus.



The Book of Psalms was the Old Testament hymnbook, prayer and liturgy book. It was used by worshipers at the temple. Many of the Psalms are the basis for our hymns and part of our liturgy is taken from the Psalms. The word "Psalm" comes from the Greek and means "a song sung to the accompaniment of a stringed instrument."

PSALM OF THE DAY

PSALM 96D



1 Sing to the LORD, ye dis - tant lands, ye tribes of ev - 'ry
 3 Be - hold, he comes, he comes to bless the na - tions as their
 tongue; his new - dis - cov - ered grace de - mands a
 God, to show the world his right - eous - ness, and
 new and no - bler song. Tell all the na - tions,
 send his truth a - broad. But when his voice shall
 "Je - sus reigns, God's own al - might - y Son; his pow'r the
 raise the dead, and bid the world draw near, how will the
 sink - ing world sus - tains, and grace sur - rounds his throne."
 guilt - y na - tions dread to see their judge ap - pear.

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(ALL CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO SIT IN FRONT WITH PASTOR)



A verse from the Holy Scriptures is usually spoken to capture the theme of the service.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

COLOSSIANS 2:10

M: Alleluia. In Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. Alleluia.



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



Give to the government what is the government's and give to God what is God's.

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 22:15-22

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went out and plotted together how to trap him in his words. ¹⁶They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you are truthful and teach the way of God in accord with the truth. You are not concerned about gaining anyone's approval because you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷So

tell us, what do you think? Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?"

¹⁸But Jesus knew their evil purpose and said, "Why are you testing me, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax."

They brought him a denarius.

²⁰He asked them, "Whose image and inscription is this?"

²¹"Caesar's," they replied to him.

Then he said to them, "Therefore give to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's."

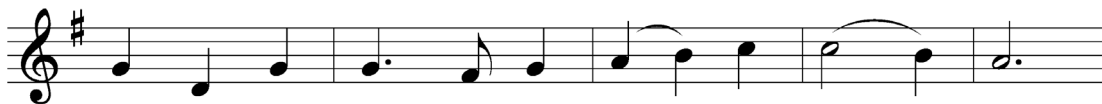
²²When they heard this, they were amazed. Then they left him and went away.

HYMN OF THE DAY: PRAISE THE ALMIGHTY; MY SOUL, ADORE HIM

CWH 619



This hymn follows the theme of the readings and sets the stage for the sermon.



1 Praise the Al - might - y; my soul, a - dore him!
3 Trust not in princ - es, they are but mor - tal;
4 Praise, all you peo - ple, the name so ho - ly



Yes, I will laud him un - til death. With songs and
earth-born they are and soon de - cay. Vain are their
of him who does such won-drous things! All that has



an - thems I'll come be - fore him as long as
coun - sels at life's last por - tal when the dark
be - ing, to praise him sole - ly, with hap - py



he al - lows me breath. From him my life and
grave will claim its prey. Since, then, no one can
heart its a - men sings! Chil - dren of God, with



all things came; bless, O my soul, his ho - ly
help af - ford, trust on - ly Christ, our God and
an - gel host praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly



name. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Ghost! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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In the sermon the Pastor proclaims God's Word and applies that word to modern life and problems. He stresses both what God demands of us (the Law) and what God does for us through Jesus Christ (the Gospel).



After hearing the word of God, the worshiper responds with this confession of faith.

The Nicene Creed was written in 325 A.D. to address false ideas about the divinity of Jesus Christ. That explains why the second article of the Nicene Creed is longer than its counterpart in the Apostles' Creed.

¹Everyone must submit to the governing authorities. For no authority exists except by God, and the authorities that do exist have been established by God. ²Therefore the one who rebels against the authority is opposing God's institution, and those who oppose will bring judgment on themselves.

³For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to evil. Would you like to have no fear of the one in authority? Do what is good, and you will receive praise from him, ⁴because he is God's servant for your benefit. But if you do wrong, be afraid, because he does not carry the sword without reason. He is God's servant, a punisher to bring wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵Therefore it is necessary to submit, not only because of wrath, but also because of conscience.

⁶For this reason you also pay taxes, because the authorities are God's ministers, who are employed to do this very thing. ⁷Pay what you owe to all of them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, and honor to whom honor is owed.

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

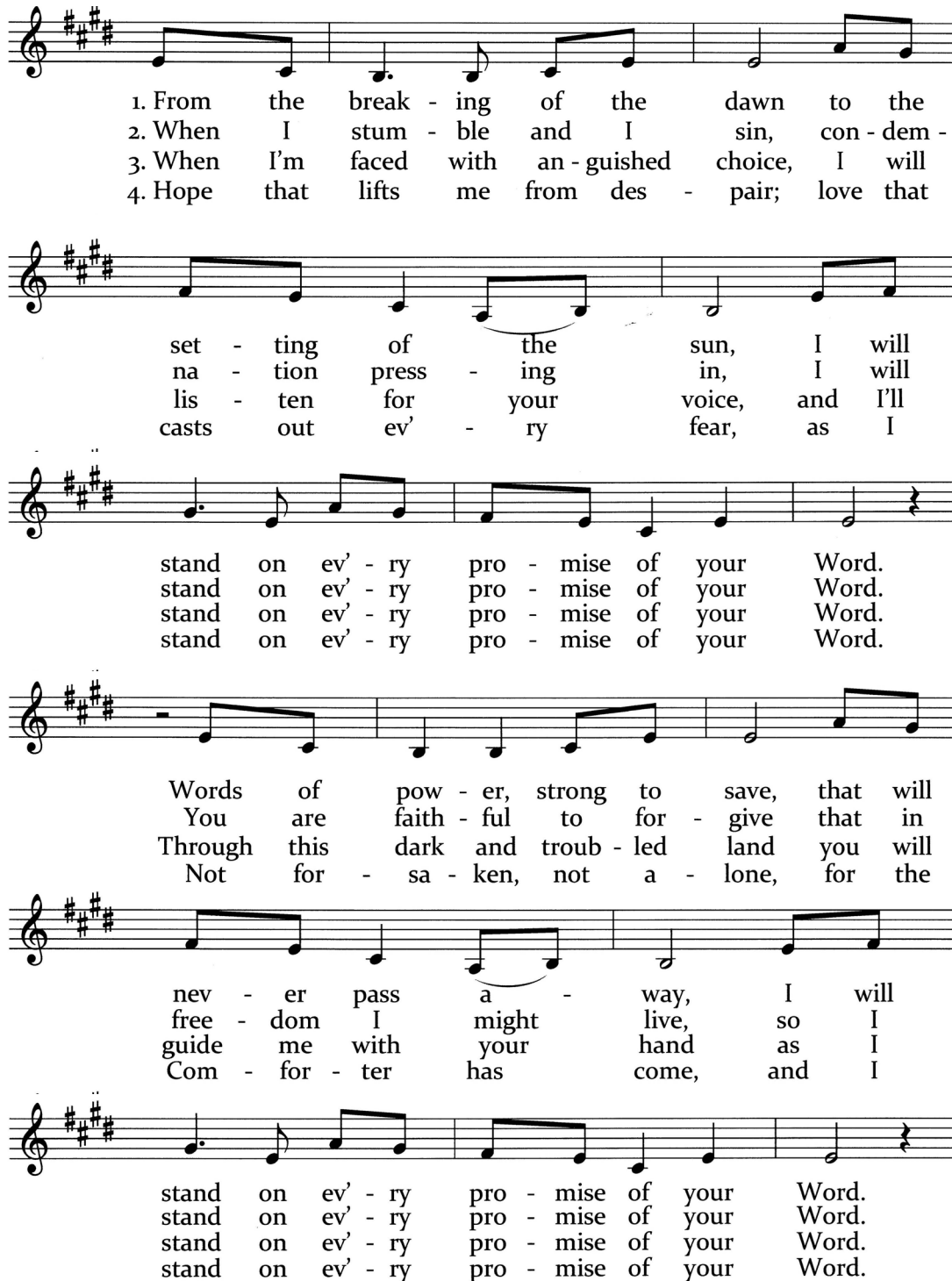
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**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 and the Son,**

who in unity with the Father and the Son
 is worshiped and glorified,
 who has spoken through the prophets.
 We believe in one holy Christian 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.

SONG OF THE SEASON: EVERY PROMISE OF YOUR WORD



1. From the break - ing of the dawn to the
 2. When I stum - ble and I sin, con - dem -
 3. When I'm faced with an - guished choice, I will
 4. Hope that lifts me from des - pair; love that

set - ting of the sun, I will
 na - tion press - ing in, I will
 lis - ten for your voice, and I'll
 casts out ev' - ry fear, as I

stand on ev' - ry pro - mise of your Word.
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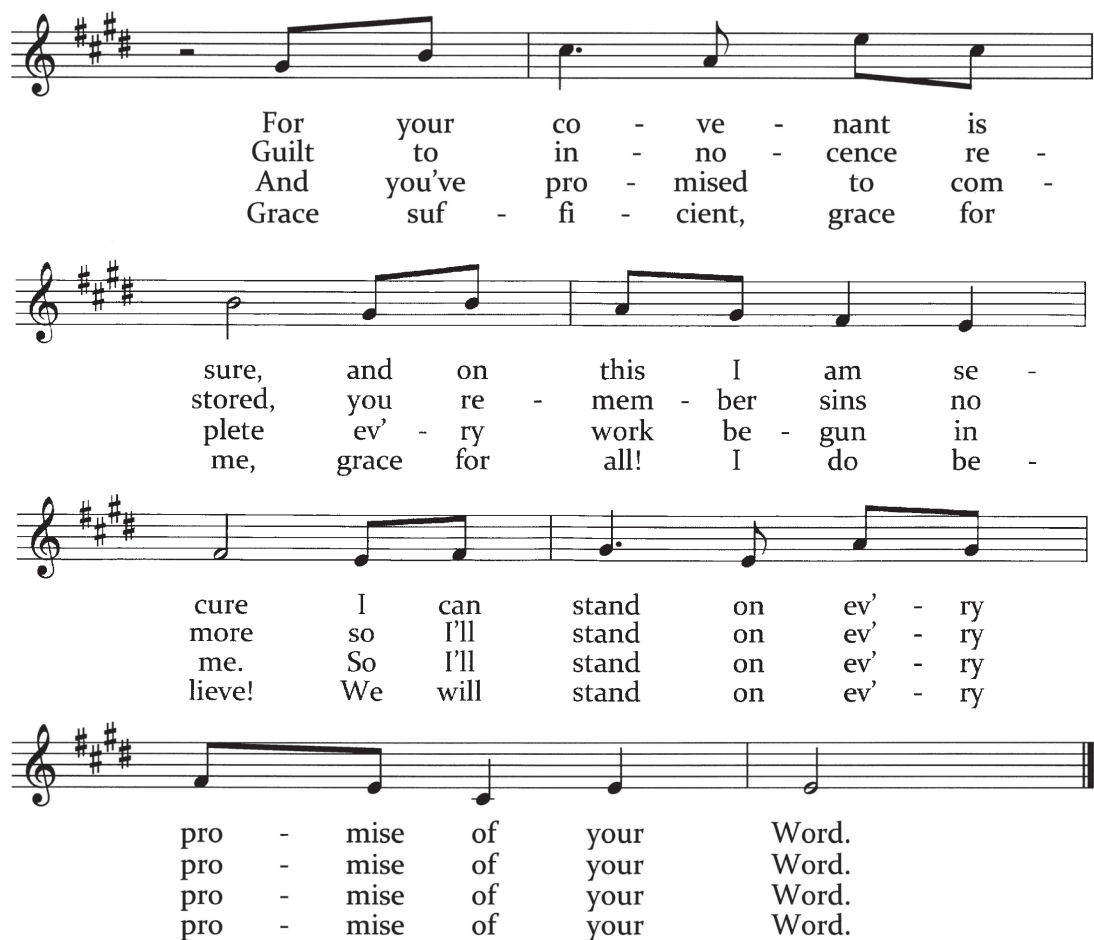
Words of pow - er, strong to save, that will
 You are faith - ful to for - give that in
 Through this dark and troub - led land you will
 Not for - sa - ken, not a - lone, for the

nev - er pass a - way, I will
 free - dom I might live, so I
 guide me with your hand as I
 Com - for - ter has come, and I

stand on ev' - ry pro - mise of your Word.
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*This is a hymn se-
 lected for the current
 church season that is
 generally new to our
 congregation, usual-
 ly introduced first by
 a soloist, and repeat-
 ed for several weeks
 to assist the congre-
 gation in learning
 the hymn.*



For your co - ve - nant is
Guilt to in - no - cence re -
And you've pro - mised to com -
Grace suf - fi - cient, grace for

sure, and on this I am se -
stored, you re - mem - ber sins no -
plete, ev' - ry work be - gun in
me, grace for all! I do be -

cure I can stand on ev' - ry
more so I'll stand on ev' - ry
me. So I'll stand on ev' - ry
lieve! We will stand on ev' - ry

pro - mise of your Word.
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Offering: The gifts of Gods people are a response to God's blessings. If God has moved you to thank him in this way, you can use this QR code to give an offering.

PRAYER

(SPOKEN BY MINISTER)

If you brought a monetary gift today for the work of the church, please place your offering in the receptacle at one of the two entrances to the sanctuary either before or after the service.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

(SPOKEN RESPONSIVELY)

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

The pastor and people prepare to celebrate the Holy Meal by greeting each other and with an exhortation as how to celebrate the meal.



Sanctus is a Latin word meaning "Holy". The Sanctus contains words from Isaiah's vision of God (Isaiah 6:3) and the crowd's response on Palm Sunday when Jesus entered the city of Jerusalem (Matthew 21:9). We join them in spirit by singing their words as we anticipate Christ's coming in the sacrament.

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

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Blessed are you, Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin.

We remember and give you thanks that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us, that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law, that he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death on a cross, that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

We speak to God as
our Father as Jesus
taught us.

(Matthew 6)



*The pastor speaks
the words which
Jesus spoke when he
instituted the Supper
with his disciples
in the Upper Room.
With these words the
bread and wine are
consecrated, that is,
set apart for God's
use in this special
meal.*



*Agnus Dei is a Latin
phrase meaning
"Lamb of God". John
the Baptist spoke
these words as he
pointed to Jesus
coming toward him
(John 1:29). As Christ
comes to us in the
Holy Supper, we
recognize him as the
Lamb of God sacri-
ficed for us to free us
from the bondage of
sin and death.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(PRAYED IN UNISON)

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

WORD OF INSTITUTION

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

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

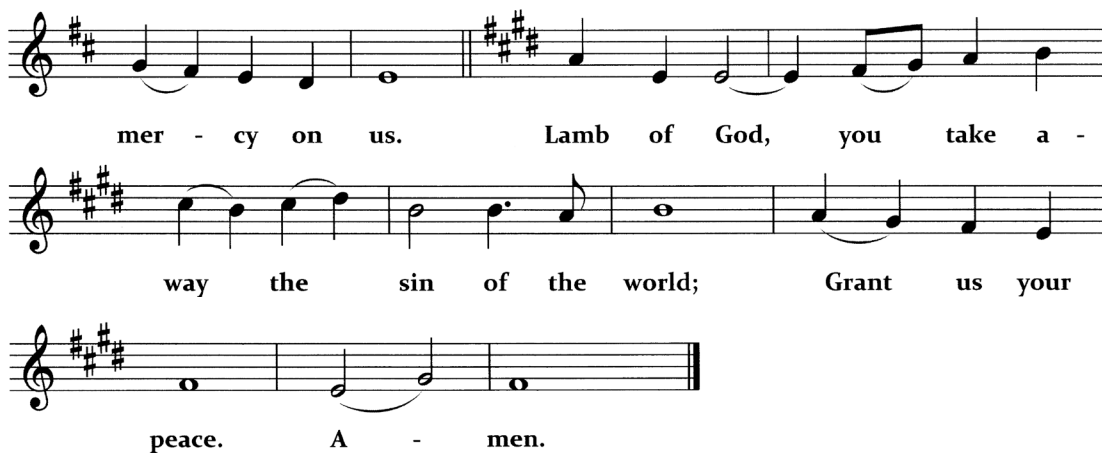
M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

LAMB OF GOD AGNUS DEI

(SUNG BY CONGREGATION)





DISTRIBUTION OF SACRAMENT

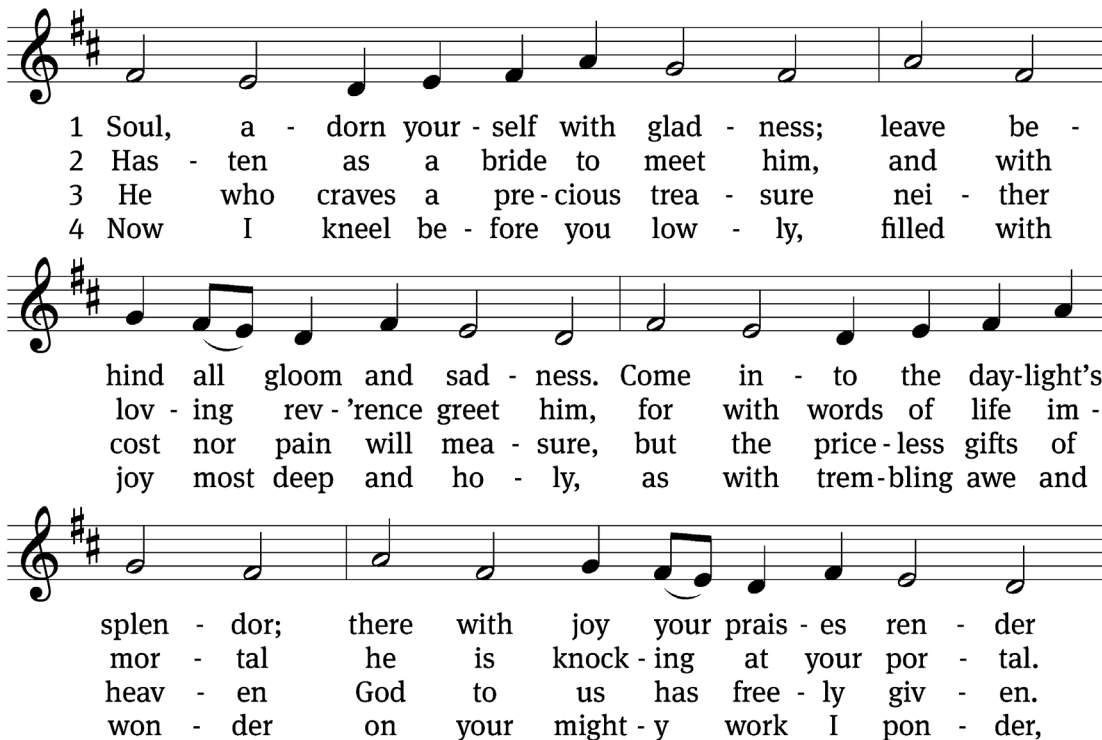
We follow the Scriptural practice of **CLOSE COMMUNION**. If you have not communed here prior to today, you should speak with our pastor before the service. We would like to help you establish the unity which comes from a common confession of faith (1 Corinthians 10:17) before expressing that union together at the Lord's Table. It is not our intent to judge hearts, but to remain faithful to the truth of God's Word. Those who have established that connection as members of sister WELS or ELS congregations may register by checking the box in the attendance record book at the end of your row. Thank you for honoring our practice.

Gluten-free wafers are available on the small tables at the front.

Alcohol-free white grape juice can be taken from the wine tray.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: SOUL, ADORN YOURSELF WITH GLADNESS

CWH 663



This is a hymn sung by the congregation during the distribution of the Lord's Supper.

un - to him whose grace un-bound - ed has this won - drous
O - pen wide the gates be - fore him, say - ing, as you
Though the wealth of earth were prof - fered, naught would buy the
by such mys - ter - y sur-round - ed, depths that no one

sup - per found - ed. He, though reign - ing high and
there a - dore him: Grant, Lord, that I now re -
gifts here of - fered: Christ's true bod - y, for you
ev - er sound - ed. None may dare to pierce un -

ho - ly, deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
ceive you, that I nev - er - more will leave you.
riv - en, and his blood, for you once giv - en.
bid - den se - crets that with you are hid - den.

Human reason, though it ponders,
cannot fathom these great wonders,
that Christ's body must be boundless
since the souls it feeds are countless,
and that he his blood is giving
with the wine we are receiving.
These great mysteries unsounded
are by God alone expounded.

Lord, by love and mercy driven,
you have left your throne in heaven
on the cross for me to languish
and to die in bitter anguish,
to forgo all joy and gladness
and to shed your blood in sadness.
By this blood redeemed and living,
Lord, I praise you with thanksgiving.

Jesus, sun of life, my splendor,
Jesus, friend of friends most tender,
Jesus, joy of my desiring,
fount of life, my soul inspiring:
at your feet I cry, my maker,
let me be a fit partaker
of this blessed food from heaven
for our good, your glory, given.

Jesus, Lord of life in heaven,
help me when this meal is given
to receive it for my blessing
as I come, my sins confessing.

In this supper let me measure,
 Lord, how deep is your love's treasure,
 that, as I on earth have eaten,
 I may be your guest in heaven.

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THANKSGIVING AND PROCLAMATION

(SPOKEN RESPONSIVELY)

M: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

C: his mercy endures forever.

M: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

C: we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

M: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving-kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

*We offer our thanks
 and express our faith
 in what God has
 done for us and has
 promised to do for us
 in the future.*



The Aaronic Blessing is the blessing that Aaron and his sons were to speak over the people of Israel, recorded in Numbers 6:23–27. The pastor offers the same blessing to the congregation as they are about to conclude their worship.

CLOSING HYMN: GOD BLESS OUR NATIVE LAND

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1 God bless our na - tive land; firm may she ev - er stand
 2 For her our prayers shall rise to God a - bove the skies;

thro' storm and night! When the wild tem - pests rave, Rul - er of
 on him we wait. Thou who art ev - er nigh, guard-ing with

wind and wave, do thou our coun - try save by thy great might.
 watch - ful eye, to thee a - loud we cry: God save the state!

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PERSONAL PRAYERS FOR COMMUNION

BEFORE COMMUNING

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

AFTER COMMUNING

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

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