

**COME,
LORD  JESUS**

Trinity Lutheran Church

Second Weekend in Advent
December 3 & 4, 2011
5:00 p.m. 8:45 a.m. 10:15 a.m.

*The mission of Trinity Lutheran Church is to be a loving
Christ-centered community actively reaching out to all people.*

Sunday School Opening (10:00)

Prelude

Ringing of the Bells



Welcome

We welcome you to worship at Trinity Lutheran Church, a historic parish serving today's people. We pray that your worship experience will bring you closer to God's love in Jesus Christ and equip you for living out your faith life in Him. Visitors and regular attendees are reminded that there is a nursery on Sunday from 10:00-11:30a.m. for infants -3 years of age. The nursery is staffed by adults and located in the parish house, attached to the sanctuary. Sunday school occurs during the service in the parish house for children 3-10 years old. Sunday school children will then join back in the service before celebrating the Lord's Supper. Please ask an usher for directions to the nursery and Sunday school. Hearing assistance is also provided for those who need it. See an usher or the sound board operator for help. Prayer Request Forms are attached to bulletin. If you would like a prayer spoken in the worship service or placed on our prayer chain, fill out a yellow card and prepare to hand it to the aisle during the sermon hymn.

1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; The King of kings is near!
2 God's peo - ple, see Him com - ing; Your own e - ter - nal king!
3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen To greet your prom-ised king!
4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; It comes from heav'n a - bove.

Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley A lev - el road ap - pear!
 Palm branch-es strew be - fore Him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing!
 Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion Its trib - ute too should bring.
 His rule is peace and free - dom And jus - tice, truth, and love.

Then greet the King of Glo - ry Fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:
 God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!
 All lands, bow down be - fore Him! All na - tions, now a - dore Him!
 So let your praise be sound - ing For kind - ness so a - bound - ing:

Refrain

Ho - san - na to the Lord, For He ful - fills God's Word!

Text: Frans Mikael Franzén, 1772–1847; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978, alt.
 Tune: Swedish, 17th cent.; setting: Henry V. Gerike, b. 1948

BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN
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Is. 40:3–5; Matt. 21:1–11; Ps. 24:7–10; Is. 9:6–7

Invocation

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Leader: 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,
People: who made heaven and earth.

Leader: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.



Confession and Absolution

Leader: O almighty God, merciful Father,

People: 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.

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;

Musical notation for the first line of the hymn, consisting of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of one flat and a common time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes.

as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

Musical notation for the second line of the hymn, consisting of a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. A page number '4' is centered below the bass staff.

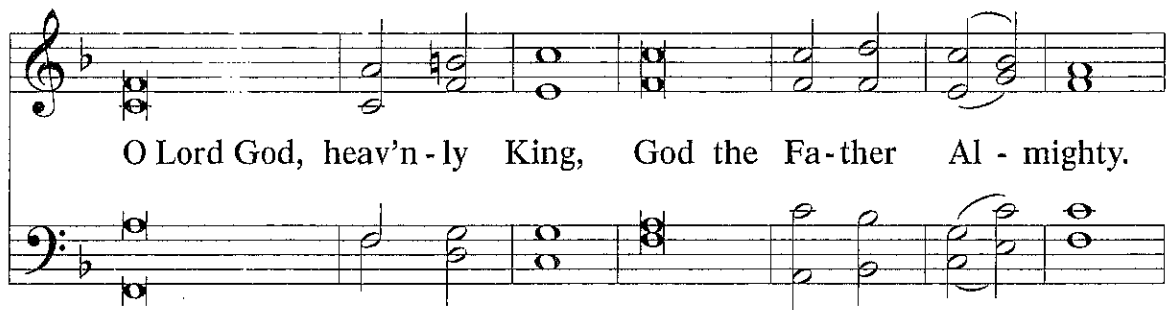
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

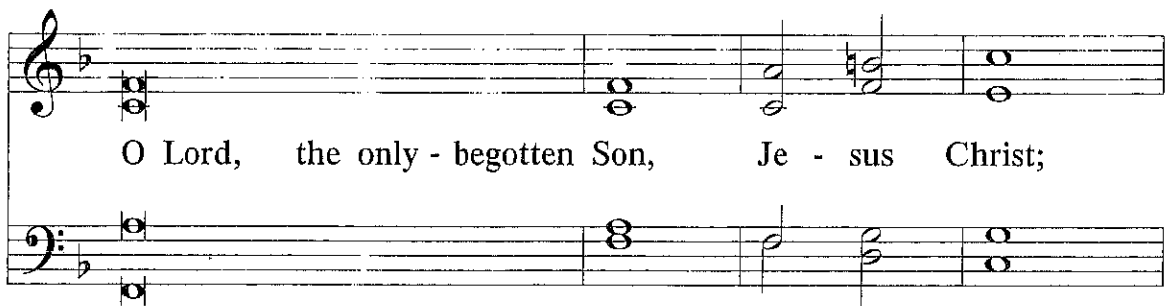
Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward

men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,

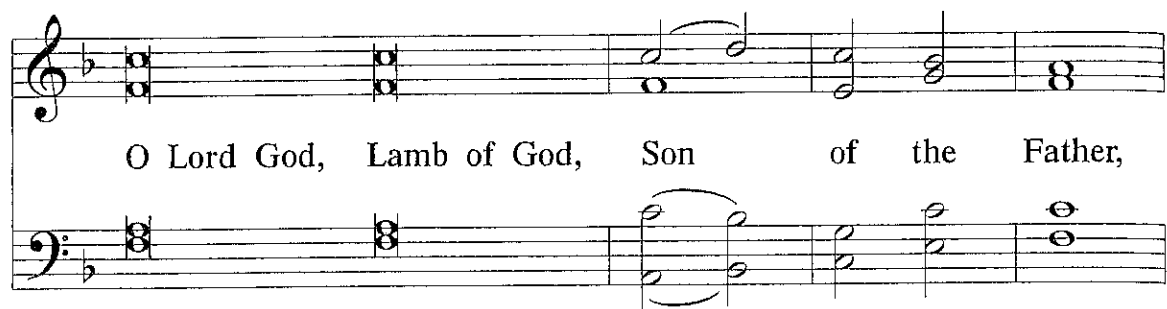
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



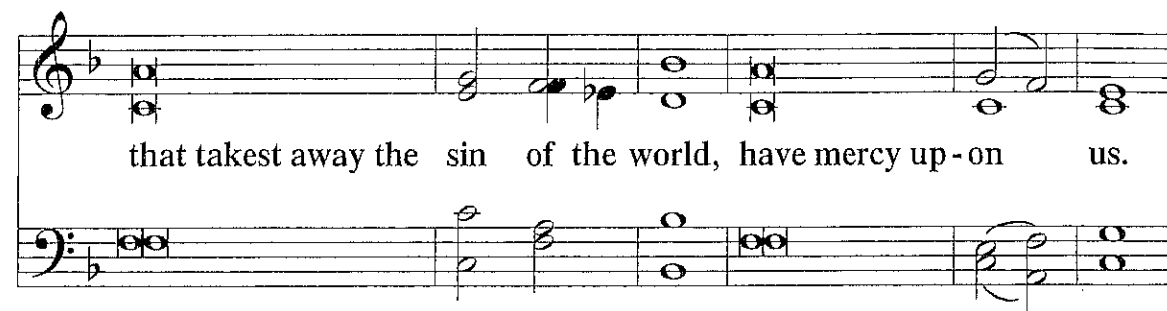
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.



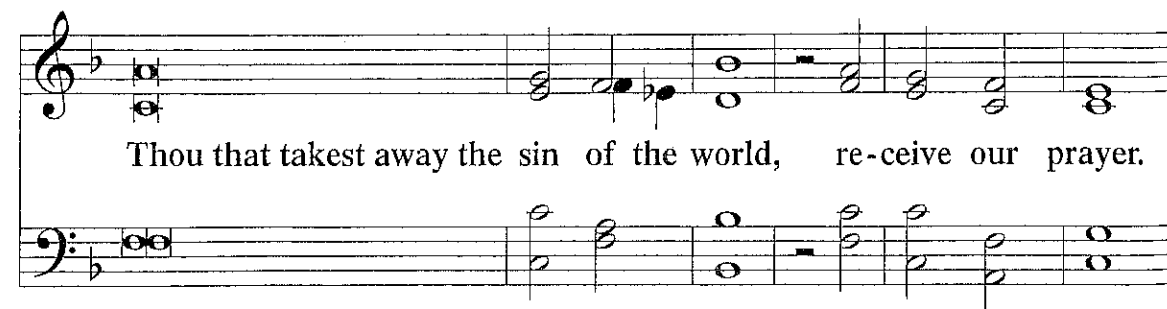
O Lord, the only - begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.



Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

Salutation and Collect

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.....

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

People: Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 40:1-11

¹Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. ²Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins. ³A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. ⁴Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. ⁵And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken." ⁶A voice says, "Cry!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field. ⁷The grass withers, the flower fades when the breath of the LORD blows on it; surely the people are grass. ⁸The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever. ⁹Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" ¹⁰Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. ¹¹He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: Restore us, | O God;

People: let your face shine, that we | may be saved!

Pastor: Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph | like a flock!

People: You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, | shine forth.

Pastor: You brought a vine out of | Egypt;

People: it took deep root and | filled the land.

Pastor: Restore us, O | God of hosts;

People: let your face shine, that we | may be saved!

Pastor: Glory be to the Father and | to the Son

People: and to the Holy | Spirit;

Pastor: as it was in the be- | ginning,

People: is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Epistle Lesson

2 Peter 3:8-14

⁸But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. ⁹The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. ¹⁰But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed. ¹¹Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, ¹²waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn! ¹³But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. ¹⁴Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, be diligent to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



An Advent Candlelighting Carol Light the Candle

Jaroslav J. Vajda, 1987

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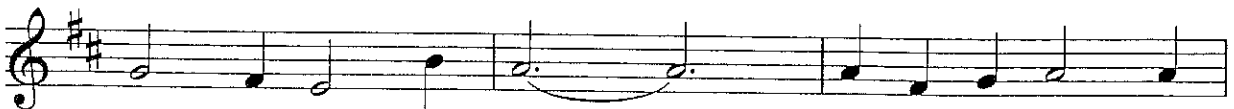
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(Advent 1) Light the can - dle of LOVE to - day, the Giv - er of love is
 (Advent 2) Light the can - dle of PEACE to - day, the Giv - er of peace is
 (Advent 3) Light the can - dle of JOY to - day, the Giv - er of joy is
 (Advent 4) Light the can - dle of HOPE to - day, the Giv - er of hope will



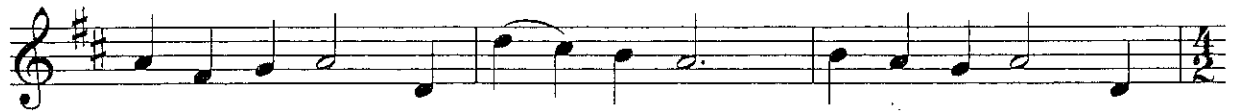
here! _____ Wel - come the love we live and die for, but
 here! _____ Wel - come the peace we fight and cry for, but
 here! _____ Wel - come the joy we crave and pay for, but
 come! _____ Wel - come the hope we long and wait for, but



on - ly Christ can give. _____ Flick - er and flame and
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 on - ly Christ can give. _____ Flick - er and flame and



glow___ with love, light up the world a - round you.
 glow___ with peace, light up the world a - round you.
 glow___ with joy, light up the world a - round you.
 glow___ with hope, light up the world a - round you.



Flick - er and flame and glow___ with love, light up the world a -
 Flick - er and flame and glow___ with peace, light up the world a -
 Flick - er and flame and glow___ with joy, light up the world a -
 Flick - er and flame and glow___ with hope, light up the world a -



round_____ you. _____
 round_____ you. _____
 round_____ you. _____
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Gospel Lesson

Luke 1:5-13

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the first chapter.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁵In the days of Herod, king of Judea, there was a priest named Zechariah, of the division of Abijah. And he had a wife from the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. ⁶And they were both righteous before God, walking blamelessly in all the commandments and statutes of the Lord. ⁷But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were advanced in years. ⁸Now while he was serving as priest before God when his division was on duty, ⁹according to the custom of the priesthood, he was chosen by lot to enter the temple of the Lord and burn incense. ¹⁰And the whole multitude of the people were praying outside at the hour of incense. ¹¹And there appeared to him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense. ¹²And Zechariah was troubled when he saw him, and fear fell upon him. ¹³But the angel said to him, “Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John.

Choral Anthem (10:15)

Advent Wonder

(5:00) (8:45)

1 Let the earth now praise the Lord, Who has tru - ly
 2 What the fa - thers most de - sired, What the proph - ets'
 3 A - bram's prom - ised great re - ward, Zi - on's help - er,
 4 As Your com - ing was in peace, Qui - et, full of

kept His word And at last to us did send
 heart in - spired, What they longed for man - ya year,
 Ja - cob's Lord— Him of two - fold race be - hold—
 gen - tle - ness, Let the same mind dwell in me

Christ, the sin - ner's help and friend.
 Stands ful - filled in glo - ry here.
 Tru - ly came, as long fore - told.
 Which is Yours e - ter - nal - ly.

5 Bruise for me the serpent's head
 That, set free from doubt and dread,
 I may cling to You in faith,
 Safely kept through life and death.

6 Then when You will come again
 As the glorious king to reign,
 I with joy will see Your face,
 Freely ransomed by Your grace.

Luke 1:14-23

¹⁴And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, ¹⁵for he will be great before the Lord. And he must not drink wine or strong drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. ¹⁶And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God, ¹⁷and he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared." ¹⁸And Zechariah said to the angel, "How shall I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife is advanced in years." ¹⁹And the angel answered him, "I am Gabriel, who stands in the presence of God, and I was sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news. ²⁰And behold, you will be silent and unable to speak until the day that these things take place, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time." ²¹And the people were waiting for Zechariah, and they were wondering at his delay in the temple. ²²And when he came out, he was unable to speak to them, and they realized that he had seen a vision in the temple. And he kept making signs to them and remained mute. ²³And when his time of service was ended, he went to his home.

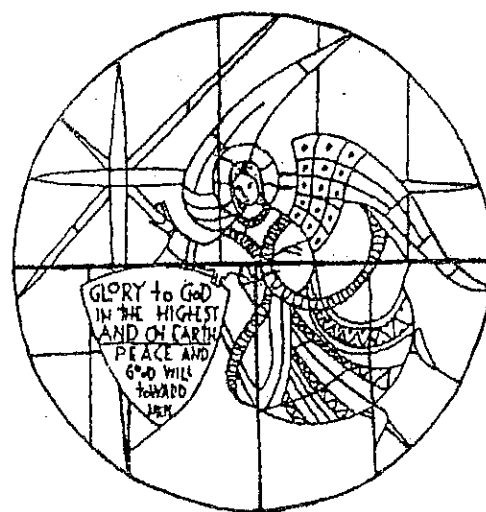
Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

Christmas Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth
Who sent His Son as my Savior on Christmas Day.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
Born of the virgin Mary,
Announced by the angels
Worshipped by the shepherds
Adored by the wise men,
Who lived to suffer, die and rise,
To free us from sin, death, and the power of the devil;**



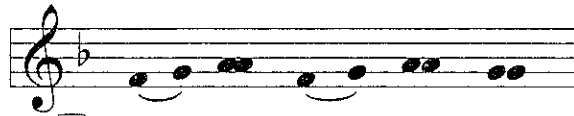
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
Who has brought me to faith in the Christ of Christmas
And by whose continuous works in my heart
I am ever led to lay before the feet of Christ
The treasures of my love
And live under Him as my King, both now and forever. Amen

Prayers of the Church

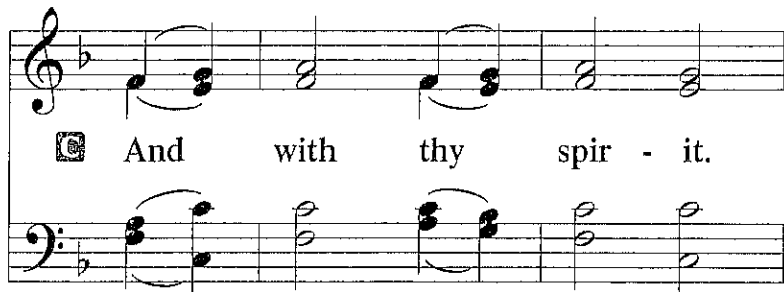
Gathering of Tithes and Offerings

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE



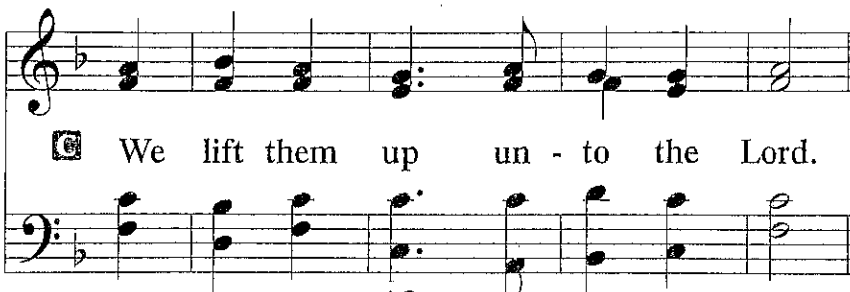
P The Lord be with you.



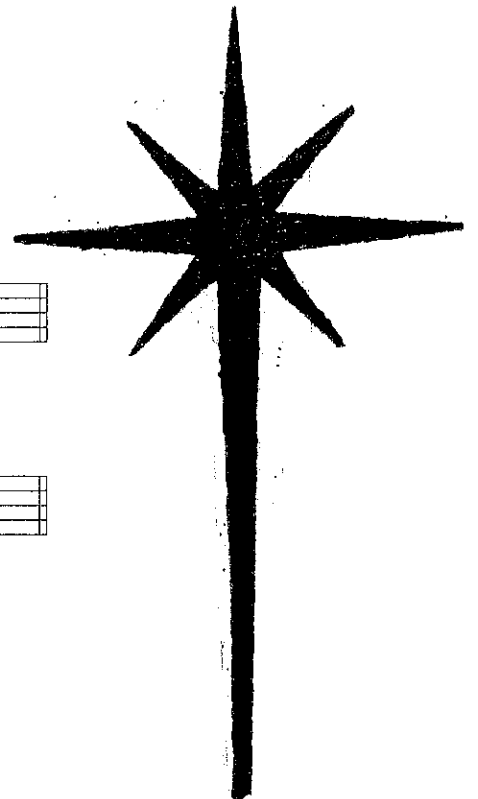
C And with thy spir - it.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.





P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



S It is meet and right so to do.



Pastor: 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, for in this Bread and wine, we receive the precious food of forgiveness as we eat Jesus' body and drink His blood. We gratefully give You our thanks for the life and salvation we now receive, evermore praising You and saying:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;

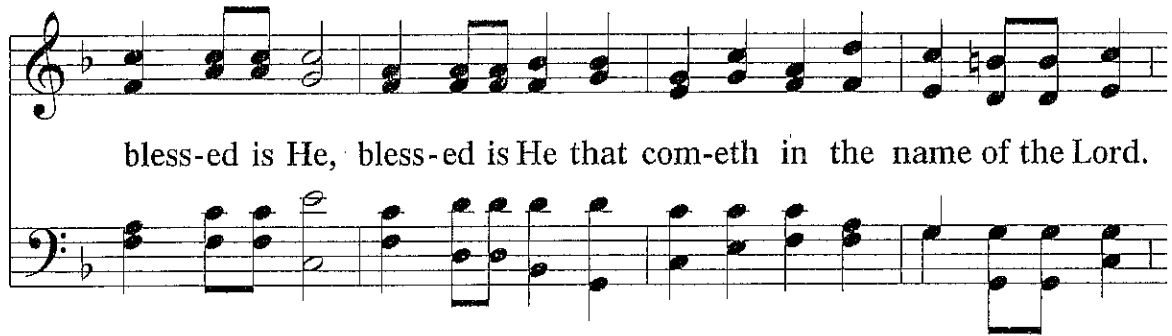


heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,

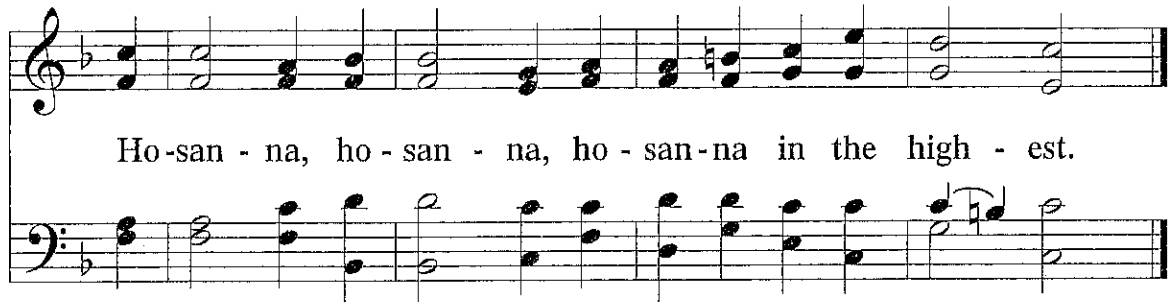


ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,





bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



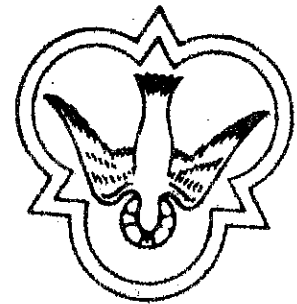
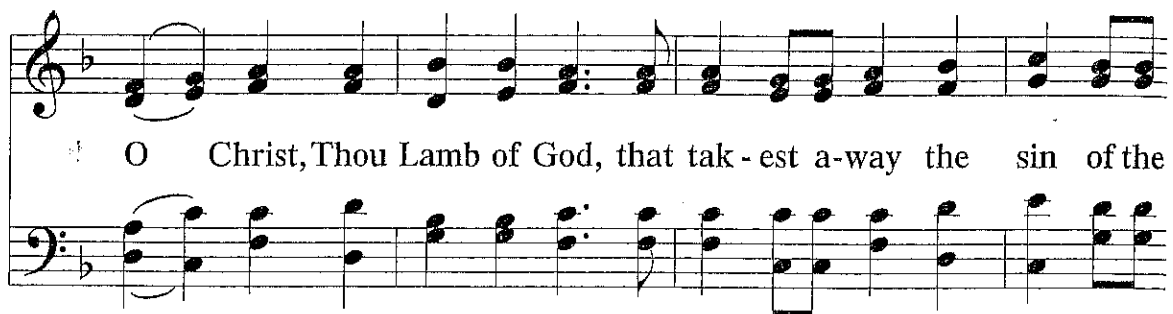
Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

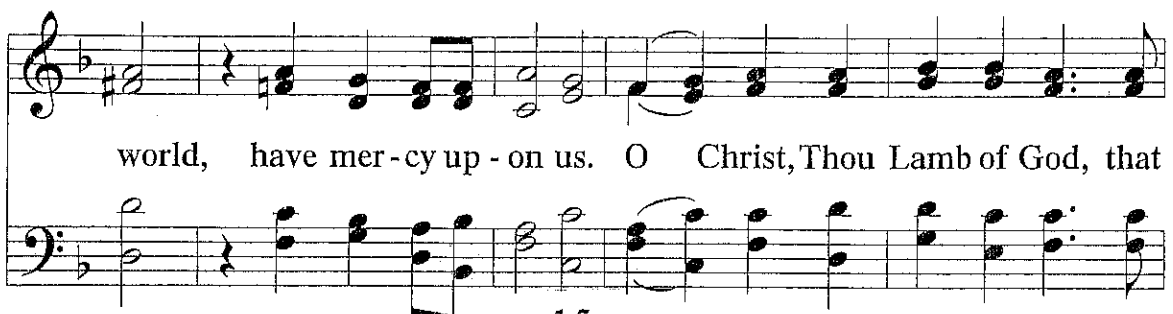
Sharing the Peace

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

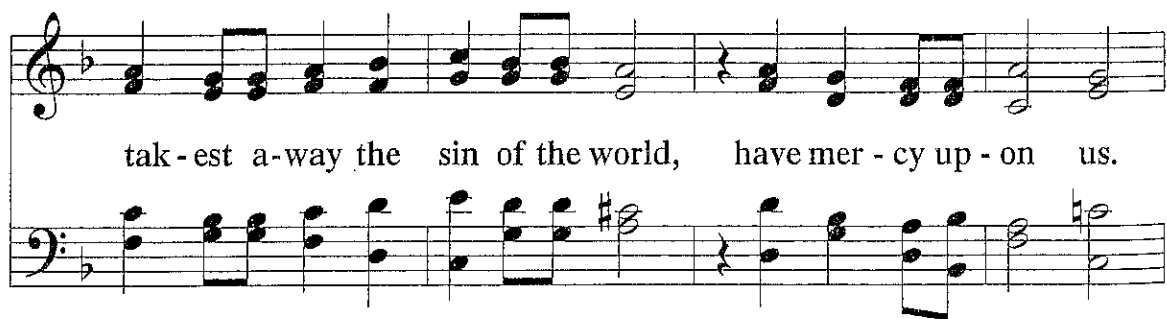
People: And also with you.

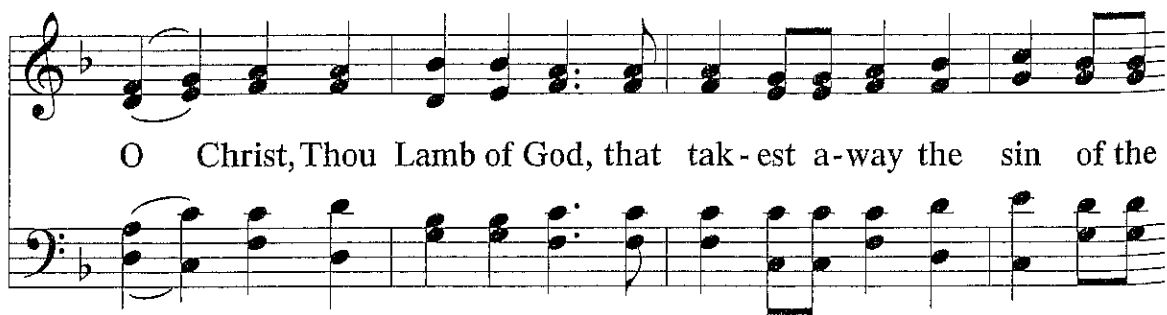
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



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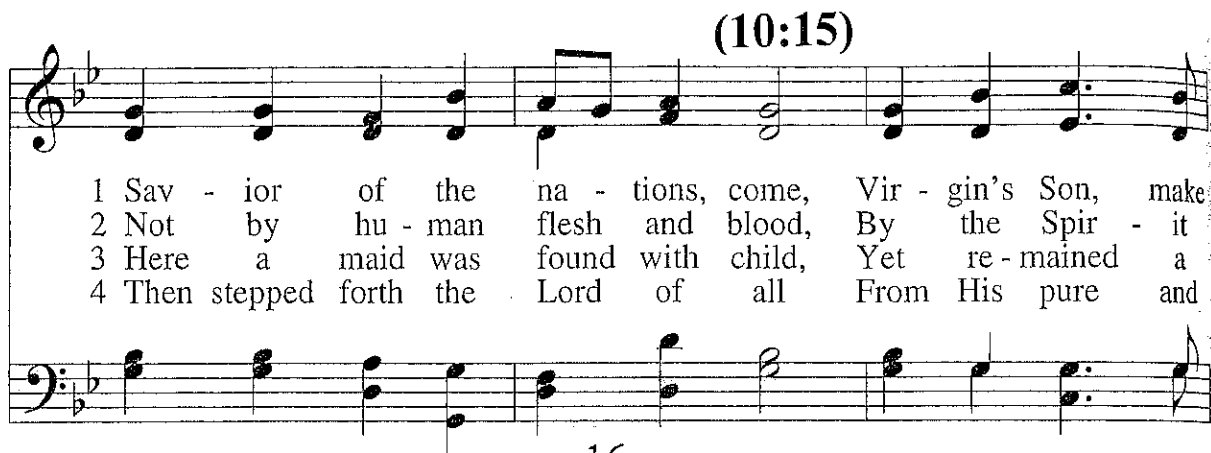
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Distribution

Choral Anthem (10:15)

Waiting

(10:15)



1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come, Vir - gin's Son, make
 2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, By the Spir - it
 3 Here a maid was found with child, Yet re - mained a
 4 Then stepped forth the Lord of all From His pure and

here Your home! Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth,
of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh—
vir - gin mild. In her womb this truth was shown:
king - ly hall; God of God, yet ful - ly man,

That the Lord chose such a birth.
Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.
God was there up - on His throne.
His he - ro - ic course be - gan.

5 God the Father was His source,
Back to God He ran His course.
Into hell His road went down,
Back then to His throne and crown.

7 From the manger newborn light
Shines in glory through the night.
Darkness there no more resides;
In this light faith now abides.

6 For You are the Father's Son
Who in flesh the vict'ry won.
By Your mighty pow'r make whole
All our ills of flesh and soul.

8 Glory to the Father sing,
Glory to the Son, our king,
Glory to the Spirit be
Now and through eternity.

Text: attr. Ambrose of Milan, 340–397; German version, Martin Luther, 1483–1546;
tr. William M. Reynolds, 1812–76, sts. 1–2; tr. *Lutheran Service Book*, 2006, sts. 3, 6;
tr. F. Samuel Janzow, 1913–2001, sts. 4–5, 8; tr. Gifford A. Grobrien, b. 1973, st. 7
Tune: *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, Wittenberg, 1524, ed. Johann Walter;
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Pastor: Let us pray.

We give thanks to you, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this healing 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.

People: Amen.

C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -

cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

a light to light - en the Gen - tles and the glo - ry of Thy

peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men.

Benediction

1 Come, Thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, Born to set Thy peo - ple free;
 2 Born Thy peo - ple to de - liv - er; Born a child and yet a king!

From our fears and sins re - lease us; Let us find our rest in Thee.
 Born to reign in us for - ev - er, Now Thy gra - cious king - dom bring.

Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, Hope of all the earth Thou art,
 By Thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;

Dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
 By Thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it Raise us to Thy glo - rious throne.

Setting available in hymn accompaniment edition.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-88, alt.
 Tune: *Southern Harmony*, New Haven, 1835

Postlude

Worship Leaders

Ministers: The People of Trinity Lutheran Church
Celebrant and Preacher: Rev. David B. Marth, Senior Pastor
Liturgists: Seminarian Matt Peters (5:00)
Seminarian Paul Rieger (8:45)
Seminarian Jake Dickerhoff (10:15)
Lectors: Chuck Conover (5:00)
Joe Eisenhower (8:45)
Jeff Lea, Jackie Appelt (10:15)
Organists: Jim Munden (5:00)
Nancy Adams (8:45)
Wes Kassulke, Director of Music (10:15)
Choir: Trinity Adult Choir (10:15)
Crucifer: Taylor VanDyke (10:15)
Acolyte: Jeremy Freese (10:15)
Greeter: Jana Ramsey

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FLOWERS – The flowers adorning the chancel this weekend are gifts to the glory of God
from Bob and Jan Kraemer as they celebrate their birthdays in December.

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