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About Our Worship Service

Welcome in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! Our message is as old as God's Word to mankind: Jesus Christ, crucified and risen to take away our sins. We gather for the Divine Service not merely for the sake of ritual or tradition. Nor do we come to worship primarily to give something back to God. Rather, we meet together to hear and receive what God has done for us. In Word and Sacrament, our gracious Lord gives those who believe in him forgiveness of sins, unity with him in new life, and the promise of eternal salvation in heaven! Through this same gospel he motivates and equips us to follow his holy will for our lives. We hope that you are comforted with the message of Jesus Christ's love for you as you worship today. Please join us again soon!

Visitors

Thank you for joining us for worship! Please read the following notes about our congregation. If you have any questions or need any assistance, please speak with the pastor.

Our Practice of Closed Communion
If you have not communed with us before, please read the notes printed later in this bulletin under the section titled "Our Holy Communion Practices."

Restrooms
Restrooms are located in the downstairs fellowship hall. A wheelchair accessible restroom is located at the front of the church, through the doors to the left of the chancel.

Guest Book
If you feel comfortable doing so, please sign our guest book located in the narthex so we can have a record of your visit.

Parent's Room
Parents with crying children are welcome to use the parent's room, located off the narthex.

Chair Lifts
Chair lifts are located off the northwest entrance for those who need to go to the fellowship hall on the lower level but have difficulty with stairs.

Reformation Sunday



Luther's Seal

A treatment of the Luther Seal. Each leaf of the central rose is accented by a different element. Shapes include a flame, a wing, the nib of a pen, and leaves. These are all subtle references to the power of the written Word and the doctrine contained therein. The M and L are initials for Martin Luther.

Season after Pentecost

The Beginning of the End

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. Until that time, God wants us to remain rooted to him by hearing his Word, receiving the sacraments, trusting in his promise of forgiveness, and then, telling others about his love!

Reformation Sunday

It's Time to Stay Steadfast

Jesus told his followers, "You will be hated by all people because of my name" (Matthew 10:22). Satan and the world hate Christ and anyone who confesses their faith in him. So, the time in between Christ's first and second coming is going to be perilous for believers. A good example — Martin Luther. All he wanted was to share the pure gospel with the world. For trying to do that, both political and religious leaders attempted to end his life.

The Festival of the Reformation emphasizes the true Church's unfailing reliance on the Word of God and her unflinching testimony to that Word even in the face of harsh persecution. Today we pray that the Lord will keep us steadfast in faith, move us to willingly bear our crosses in the face of hardship and persecution, and rejoice that we are saved by grace alone, through faith alone, and in Christ alone!

The Service

Setting Four

Welcome to God's house in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

Please enter the sanctuary quietly so you and others can prepare your hearts for God's worship service.

A personal prayer for before worship is printed on the first page of the blue hymnal.

The hymns are located in the middle to back portion of the blue hymnal.

There will be no pre-service announcements.

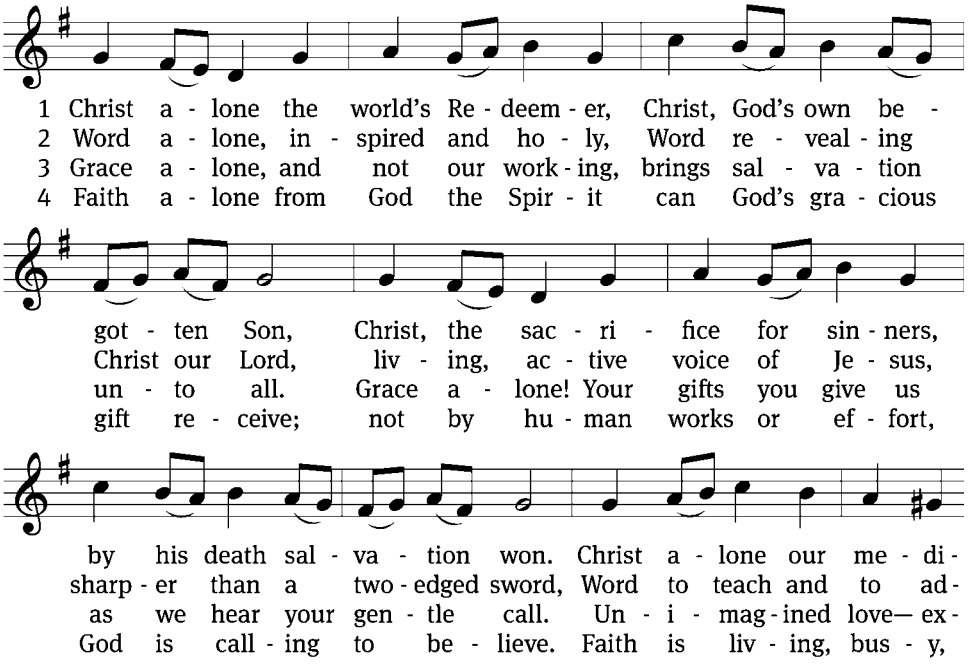
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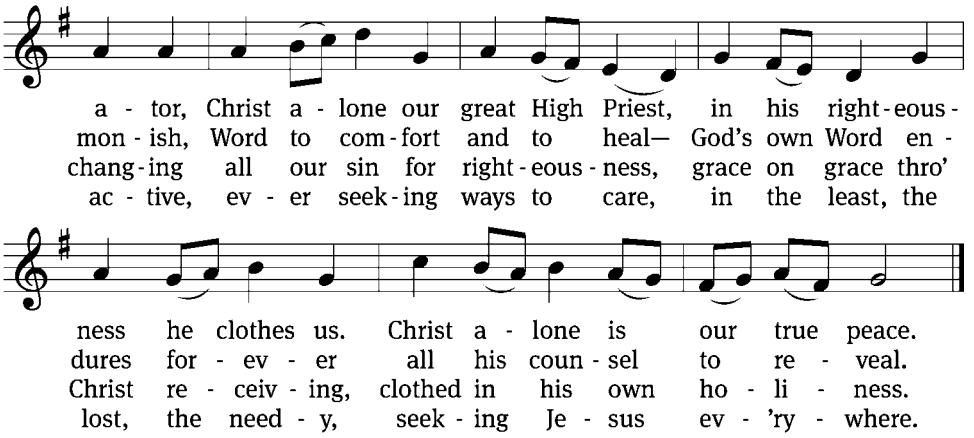
The Preparation

Preservice Music *"All Glory Be to God on High"* (Beatrice Hermanson, oboe)

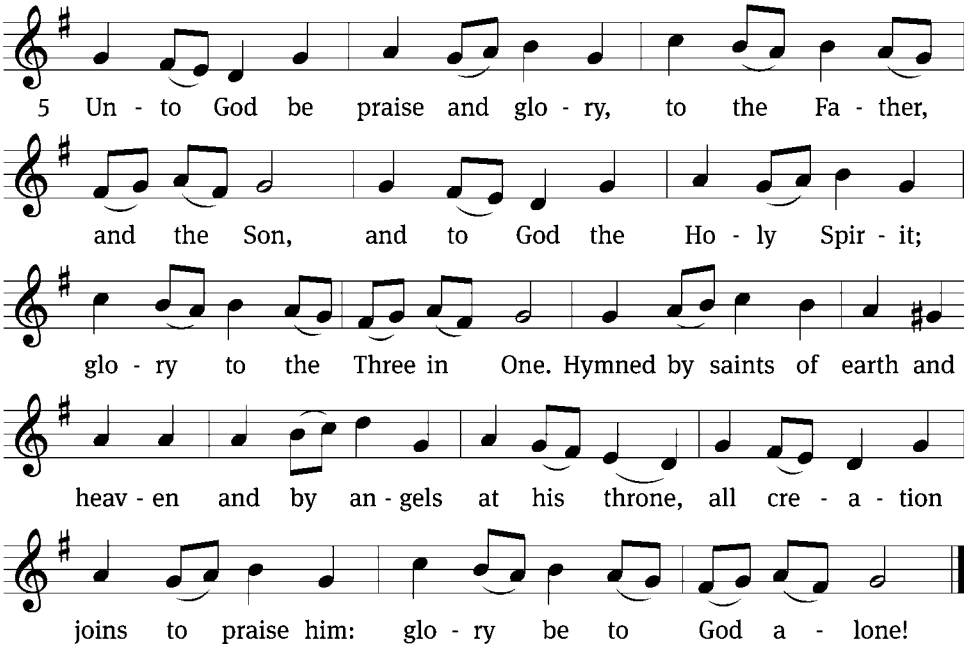
Tolling of the Bells

Opening Hymn *878 "Christ Alone the World's Redeemer"*





Please stand for the last stanza and direct your attention to the processional cross as it is brought to the chancel



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Invocation *(Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14)*

In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession *(1 John 1:8-9; Luke 18:13)*

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Holy God, gracious Father,
I am sinful by nature
and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.
I have not loved you with my whole heart;
I have not loved others as I should.
I deserve your punishment both now and forever.
But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins
with his innocent suffering and death.
Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution *(Matthew 16:19; John 20:21-23)*

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy *Kyrie*

(Psalm 51:1; Mark 10:47; Luke 17:13)

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



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Glory to God in the Highest *Gloria in Excelsis* *(Luke 2:14; John 1:29; Acts 7:56)*





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The Word

Salutation *(Ruth 2:4; 2 Timothy 4:22)*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day *(Matthew 7:7-11; Philippians 4:6)*

Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Please be seated

Children's Choir *862 "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" (stanzas 1, 2)*

1 Lord, keep us steadfast in your Word;
curb those who by deceit or sword
would seek to overthrow your Son
and to destroy what he has done.

2 Lord Jesus Christ, your pow'r make known,
for you are Lord of lords alone;
defend your Christendom that we
may sing your praise eternally.

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First Reading Daniel 6:10-12, 16-23

Even though it potentially meant death by lion, Daniel got on his knees and prayed to the Lord as he always had, demonstrating steadfast faith.

10 Now, when Daniel learned that the document had been signed, he went to his house.
It had windows on its upper story that opened toward Jerusalem. Three times each day he
would get on his knees and pray and offer praise before his God. He continued to do that,
just as he had been doing before this. 11 Then these men came as a group and found Daniel
praying and seeking favor from his God.

12 They then went and asked the king about the decree. "Your Majesty, did you not sign a
decree that anyone who prays to any god or person for thirty days except to you, Your
Majesty, would be thrown into the den of lions?"

The king answered, "Indeed I did. The order is established as a law of the Medes and the
Persians that cannot be revoked."

16 Then the king gave the order, and Daniel was brought and thrown into the lions' den.
The king said to Daniel, "May your God, whom you serve continually, rescue you." 17 A stone
was brought and placed over the mouth of the pit. The king sealed it with his signet ring
and the signet rings of his nobles so that nothing could be changed with regard to Daniel's
situation. 18 Then the king went to his palace. He spent the night without food, and no
entertainment was brought before him. But he could not sleep.

19 At dawn the king arose as soon as it was light and hurried to the lions' den. 20 As he
came near the pit, he cried out in a fearful voice. The king said to Daniel, "Daniel, servant of
the living God, was your God, whom you serve continually, able to rescue you from the
lions?"

21 Then Daniel spoke with the king. "Your Majesty, may you live forever! 22 My God sent
his angel and shut the mouth of the lions. They have not hurt me because he found me
innocent in his presence. Also before you, Your Majesty, I have committed no crime."

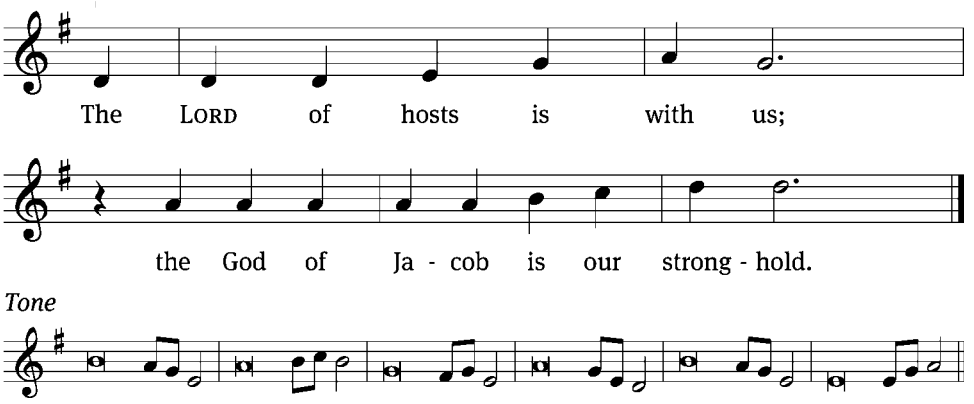
23 Then the king was very glad and said that Daniel should be brought up from the pit.
So Daniel was brought up from the pit, and he was unharmed because he trusted in his God.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day Psalm 46 B *"God Is Our Refuge and Strength"*

The Church sings Psalm 46 in services that celebrate the power of the Lord in the face of every evil attack. It inspired the hymn "A Mighty Fortress" by Martin Luther. He said, "We sing Psalm 46 to praise the only true God for being with us. He wonderfully upholds his Word and Christendom against the very gates of hell, against the rage of every demon, the world, the flesh, sin, and death. Our little spring is a free-flowing source of living water."

Refrain



God is our ref- / uge and strength,
an ever-present help in / trouble.
Therefore we will not fear, though the / earth give way
and the mountains fall into the heart / of the sea,
though its waters / roar and foam
and the mountains quake with their / surging.

Refrain

There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- / y of God,
the holy place where the Most / High dwells.
God is within her, she / will not fall;
God will help her at / break of day.
Nations are in uproar, / kingdoms fall;
he lifts his voice, the / earth melts.

Refrain

Come and see what the / LORD has done,
the desolations he has brought / on the earth.
He makes wars cease to the ends / of the earth.
He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the / shields with fire.
He says, "Be still, and know that / I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted / in the earth."

Refrain

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Second Reading

Romans 3:19-28

God justifies those who have been given the gift of steadfast faith in Jesus Christ.

19 Now we know that whatever the law says is addressed to those who are under the law,
so that every mouth will be silenced and the whole world will be subject to God's judgment.
20 For this reason, no one will be declared righteous in his sight by works of the law, for
through the law we become aware of sin.

21 But now, completely apart from the law, a righteousness from God has been made
known. The Law and the Prophets testify to it. 22 This righteousness from God comes
through faith in Jesus Christ to all and over all who believe.

In fact, there is no difference, 23 because all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God
24 and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom
God publicly displayed as the atonement seat through faith in his blood. God did this to
demonstrate his justice, since, in his divine restraint, he had left the sins that were
committed earlier unpunished. 26 He did this to demonstrate his justice at the present time,
so that he would be both just and the one who justifies the person who has faith in Jesus.

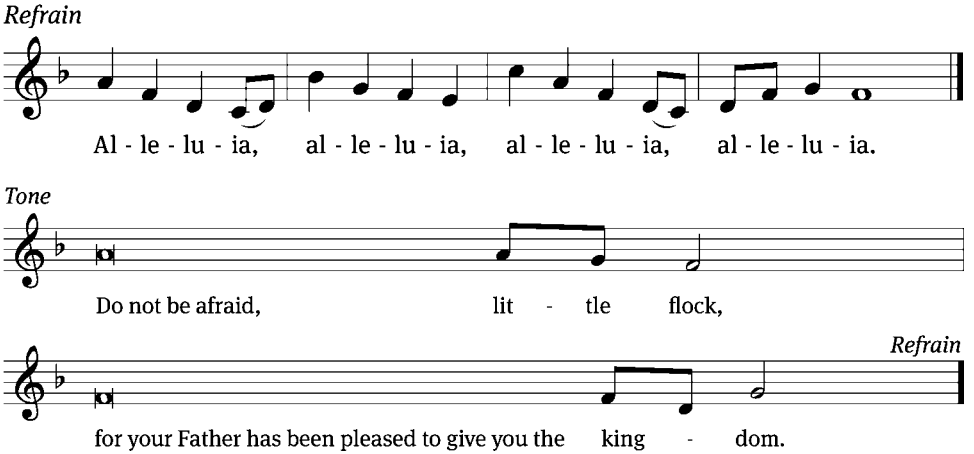
27 What happens to boasting then? It has been eliminated. By what principle—by the
principle of works? No, but by the principle of faith. 28 For we conclude that a person is
justified by faith without the works of the law.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 12:32

Please stand as the Gospel Acclamation is introduced



The pastor processes to the nave floor for the Gospel, symbolizing Christ's presence among us in his Word

Gospel

Matthew 10:16-23

The Lord keeps us steadfast and faithful through times of persecution.

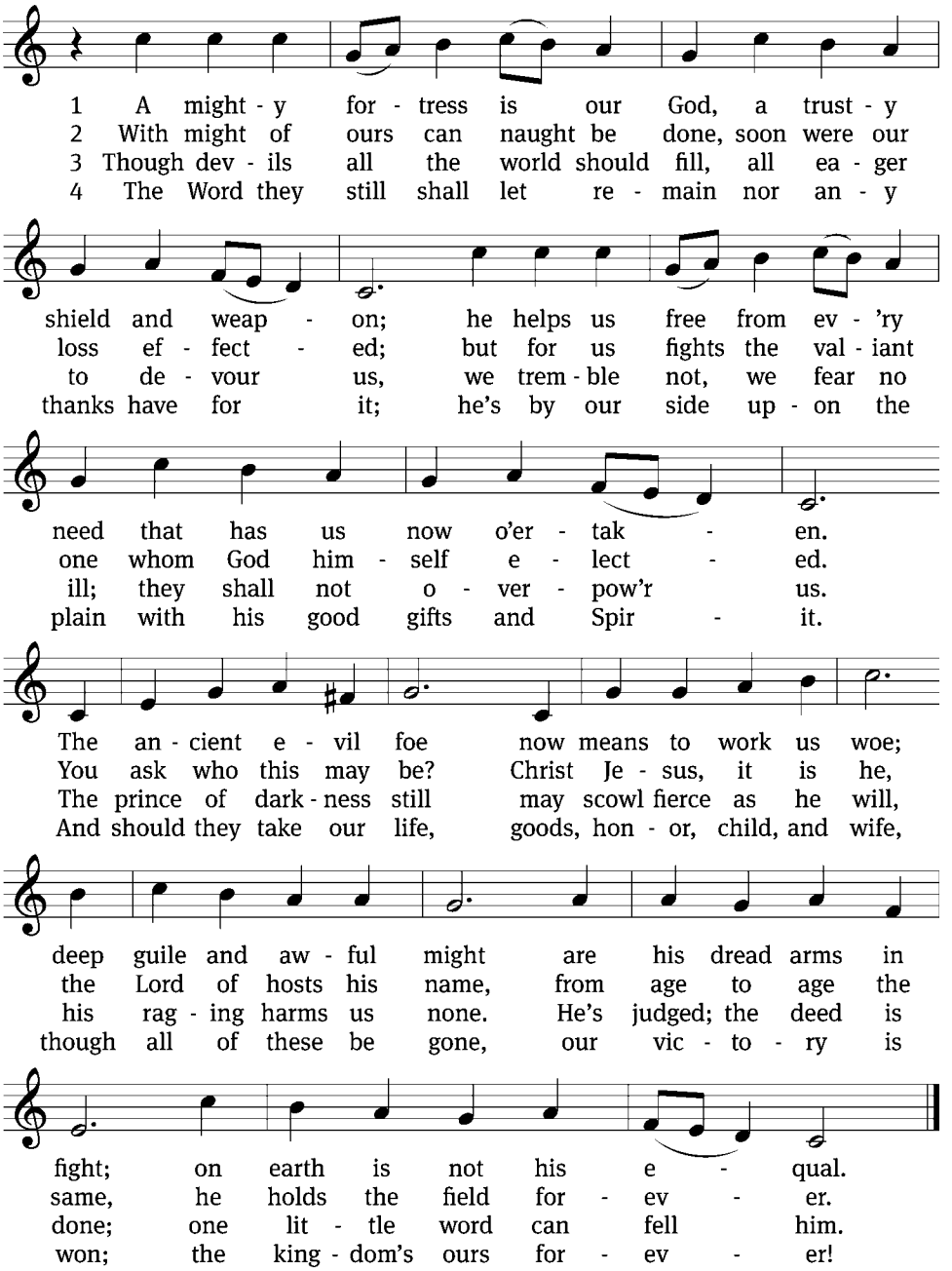
16 "Look, I am sending you out as sheep among wolves. So be as shrewd as snakes and as
innocent as doves. 17 Be on guard against people. They will hand you over to councils, and
they will whip you in their synagogues. 18 You will be brought into the presence of governors
and kings for my sake, as a testimony to them and to the Gentiles. 19 Whenever they hand
you over, do not be worried about how you will respond or what you will say, because what
you say will be given to you in that hour. 20 In fact you will not be the ones speaking, but the
Spirit of your Father will be speaking through you.

21 "Brother will hand over his brother to death, and a father will do the same with his
child. Children will rise up against parents and have them put to death. 22 You will be hated
by all people because of my name, but whoever endures to the end will be saved. 23 And
when they persecute you in one town, flee to the next. Amen I tell you: You will not finish
going through the cities of Israel before the Son of Man comes."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be seated

Hymn of the Day *864 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"*



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Sermon Romans 3:19-28 *"Freedom in Christ"*

Nicene Creed *Credo* *(Romans 10:9-10; Philippians 2:10-11)*

Please stand

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.

Please be seated

Offering Collection *(Proverbs 3:9-10; Matthew 6:19-34; Romans 12:1; 2 Corinthians 9:7-11; Galatians 6:6-10)*

Offerings

God, who blesses us with all we gave, gives us the privilege of thanking him in many ways. One way is by offering a portion of our income to financially support the ministry of our congregation and synod.

If you are a guest, please do not feel like you must give an offering.
We are happy to share with you the free, good news of Jesus' gracious love for you!

If you would like to give an offering, you can place it in the collection plate when it is passed to you.
If you wish to give your offering via PayPal, you can scan the QR code on the last page of this bulletin.
Thank you for your financial support of our congregation!

Friendship Registers

You are invited to write your name in the Friendship Register - the maroon book at the end of each pew. Please write down your name and the names of those with you, check any appropriate box, and provide your contact information if you want the pastor to speak with you.

Prayer of the Church Reformation

Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, when the set time had come, you sent your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to take our place under the demands of the law and endure the just punishment for our sins. You raised him from death in glorious splendor and for his sake, you richly and daily forgive sins.
Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits. *(Psalm 103:2)*

When the set time had come, you poured out your Spirit on your people and called them to proclaim the gospel to every creature. Equipped and encouraged, they carried the story of salvation to all the world.
The LORD reigns, let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice. *(Psalm 97:1)*

When the set time had come, you raised up your servant Martin Luther to destroy the idols of the medieval age and to restore the pure teaching of the Scriptures. You granted power and success to the proclamation of the gospel, and your holy Church grew and prospered throughout the world.
God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. *(Psalm 46:1)*

When the set time had come, you made our fathers bold to take their stand on the truth of your Word. Guided by your Spirit, they joined hands and hearts under a shared confession and with a determined resolve to work together in the ministry. You have blessed their sons and daughters and enabled us to preserve and proclaim the saving gospel of your Son.
Sing to the LORD, for he has done glorious things;
let this be known to all the world. *(Isaiah 12:5)*

Let this be the time when you renew us again by Word and Sacrament, when you reform our hearts and minds, and when you restore to us the joy of fellowship and service. Grant to us in this age and in this place the courage of the apostles, the steadfastness of the reformers, and the dedication of the fathers of our church's past.
May the LORD our God be with us as he was with our fathers;
may he never leave us or forsake us. *(1 Kings 8:57)*

Let this be a time when we recommit ourselves to the ministry of the gospel of your Son. Let us find joy in our unity, zeal for our work, and, if it is your will, success in our labor. And give us faith to take up again the trumpet none can silence or mistake and grant us courage to proclaim once more for all the world to hear: The feast is ready! Come to the feast!
May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine upon us,
that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations. *(Psalm 67:1,2)*

Special prayers and intercessions

The Christian Church has traditionally marked October 28 as a day to remember God's work through St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles. We will recognize this minor church year festival in our prayers today.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Let this time and all our times be used to give thanks for your grace in Christ and to praise you for calling us into your mission to save.
Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love
and establish the work of our hands. Amen. *(Psalm 90:14,17)*

Please stand

The Sacrament

Visitors, before approaching the altar, please read the notes printed later in this bulletin under the section titled "Our Holy Communion Practices"

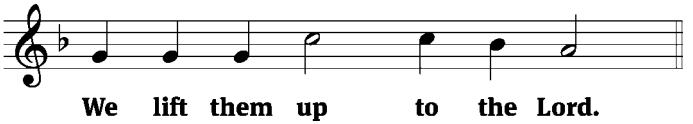
Prefaces

(2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 107:1)

The Lord be with you.



Lift up your hearts.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



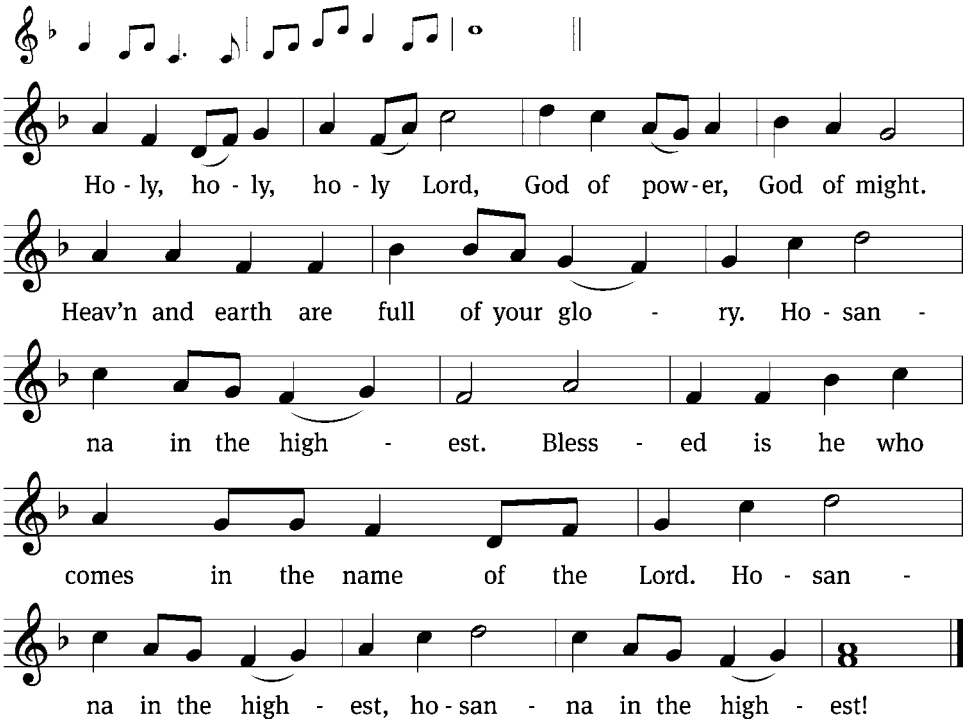
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It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in blessing his saints of the past has given us assurance and hope that, following their example, we may run the race marked out for us and receive the crown of glory that will never fade away.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy *Sanctus*

(Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)



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Prayer of Thanksgiving

(John 1:3; Romans 8:32)

Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.
By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.
By his innocent death, he overcame hell.
By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.
Amen.

Lord's Prayer *(Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4)*

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 Institution *Verba* *(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)*

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 T 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 T 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."

Peace of the Lord *Pax Domini* *(John 14:27; 20:19; 2 Thessalonians 3:16)*

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God *Agnus Dei* *(John 1:29; Isaiah 53:4-7; 1 Peter 1:18-19)*



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Please be seated

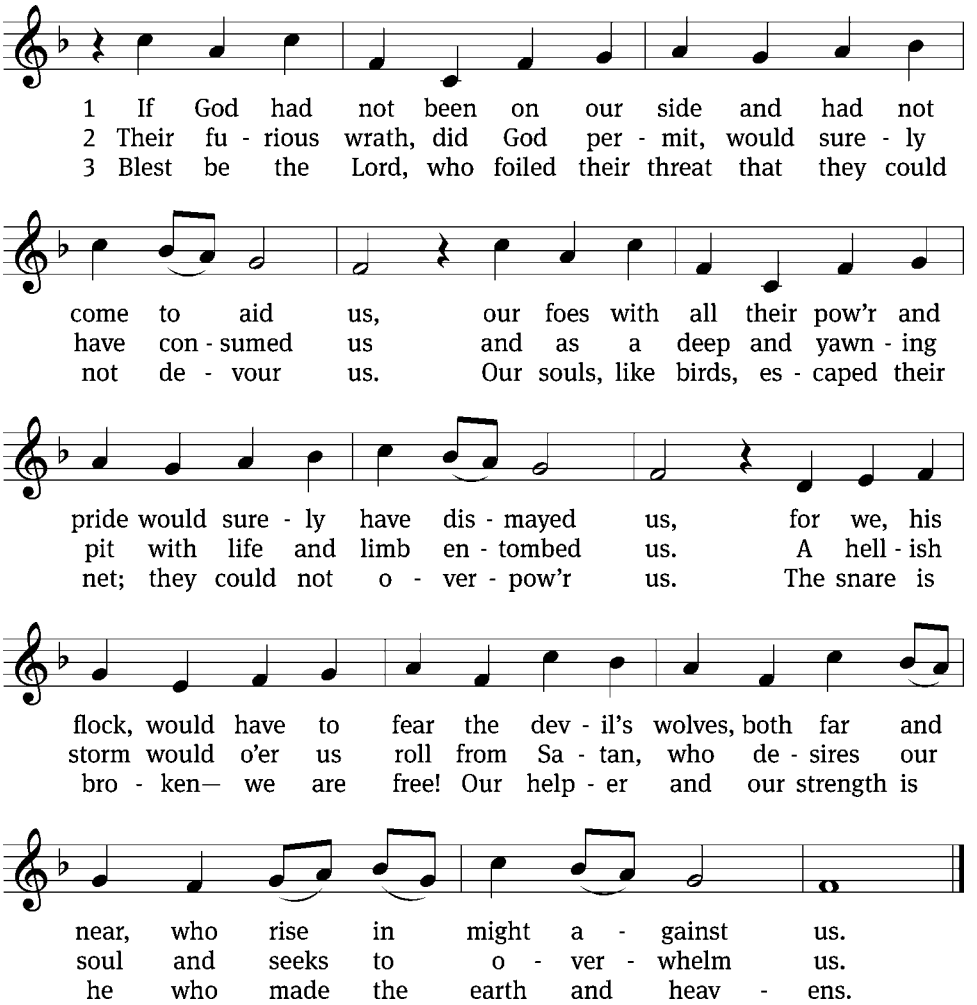
Distribution Hymn *643 "O God, Our Lord, Your Holy Word"*



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Distribution Hymn *866 "If God Had Not Been on Our Side"*



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Our Holy Communion Practices

(Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 16:17; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; 11:27-29; Ephesians 4:4-6; 1 John 1:3; 2 John 9-11)

Visitors

Before approaching the altar to receive Holy Communion, please read the following notes:

The Holy Bible teaches the celebration of the Lord's Supper is an expression of unity in faith and teaching. To be "in communion" means to share and hold in common. By receiving Holy Communion, we are not only sharing Christ's true body and blood, but we are also confessing that we publicly hold in common the same teachings of God's Holy Word.

We therefore invite to Holy Communion only those Christians who share the same teachings to which we hold, all the while recognizing the true spiritual unity and fellowship of all believers in God's Holy Christian Church (i.e. the Communion of Saints). Confirmed members of Nain and confirmed visiting members of sister congregations in the WELS (Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod) and the ELS (Evangelical Lutheran Synod) are welcome to commune with us.

If you are a member of another Lutheran synod, another Christian denomination, or of another belief, we ask that you refrain from communing with us at this time. We do this out of love and in accordance with God's words through St. Paul in 1 Corinthians 11:27-29. The pastor would be happy to speak with you if you have interest in communing in the future or have any other questions or concerns about our practices. Thank you for your patience and understanding, and for respecting our beliefs.

Communicants

"Christian Questions," a guide for personal preparation before receiving Holy Communion is printed on pages 295-296 in the hymnal. Prayers for before and after communing are printed on the first page of the hymnal.

The usher will direct you to the front of the nave, where you will commune. When the pastor distributes the bread and body of Christ, he will say, "The body of Christ, given for you." When he distributes the wine and blood of Christ, he will say, "The blood of Christ, poured out for you." Before consuming the sacramental elements, you may respond to the pastor's words by saying, "Amen" (which is Hebrew for, "Truly," or "Yes, it is so") as a way to confess your belief that the body and blood of Jesus are truly present in the Lord's Supper for the forgiveness of your sins.

Children and Non-Communicants

Children and other non-communicants are welcome to approach the altar to receive a blessing from the pastor. He will make the sign of the cross on the head of each and say, "The Lord bless you." Non-Communicant adults are asked to cross their arms over their chest to indicate that they do not intend to commune.

Distribution of Holy Communion

(1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Acts 2:42)

As he distributes the elements, the pastor says to the communicants:

The body of Christ, given for you.
Amen.

The blood of Christ, poured out for you.
Amen.

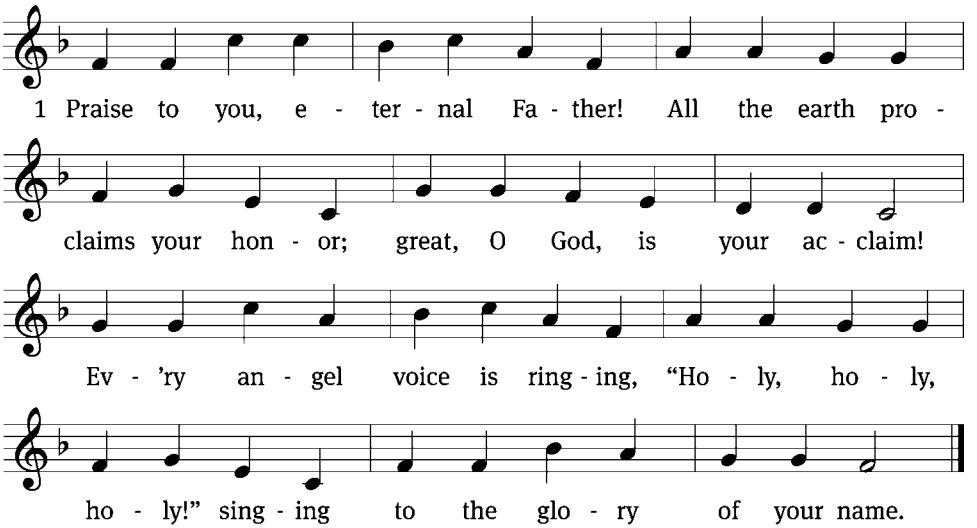
As he dismisses the communicants, the pastor says:

The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting. Go T in peace.
Amen.

Post-Communion Canticle

952 "Praise to You, Eternal Father" (stanza 1)

Please stand as the canticle is introduced



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Thanksgiving *(Psalm 118:1)*

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Proclamation *(1 Corinthians 11:26)*

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Post-Communion Prayer *(Romans 15:1-2; 1 Thessalonians 3:12, 5:11)*

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Blessing *(Numbers 6:24-26)*

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 T give you peace.
Amen.

Closing Hymn *640 "God's Word Is Our Great Heritage"*

Please remain standing for the hymn stanza and follow the processional cross as it is brought out of the nave



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Please be seated

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There will not be any post-service announcements.

You will not be ushered out. *You may depart any time after the closing hymn.*

*A **personal prayer for after worship** is printed on the first page of the hymnal.*

*If you haven't done so already, **please write your name in the Friendship Register before you leave**.*

***Thank you for joining us** as we together worshiped our Triune God. The Lord be with you this week!*

Special thanks to:

Linda Loeffel for playing organ… Beatrice Hermanson for playing oboe…
the Sunday School students of the Children's Choir for singing, and Peter Hermanson for directing them…
Ben Leyrer for serving as crucifer and distribution assistant…
Jerry Loeffel for serving as usher… Mark Buske for operating the A/V equipment for the live stream…
and Lois Buske for serving on Altar Duty.

For more information about today's Scripture readings, the current season of the Church Year, and the words and symbols featured on the paraments, please visit the "Worship Resources" page of our website to read this Sunday's ***"About the Propers,"*** *a weekly document that explains the changeable parts of the service.*

All worshipers are encouraged to take home a copy of our ***weekly newsletter, the "Nain Messenger"*** *to stay informed about all congregational news. Printed copies are available on the countertop in the narthex.*

"The Congregation at Prayer," *a document offering suggestions for daily devotions and Scripture readings, is also posted on the "Worship Resources" page of our church website.*

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