



# TRINITY

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## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### VALPARAISO

**COMMUNION OF REFORMED EVANGELICAL CHURCHES**

Valparaiso, Florida

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**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

**Dec 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**COVENANT RENEWAL WORSHIP**

Please take this bulletin home with you to use for worship in the home

## Sunday at Trinity

### 9:00 AM Sunday School

**Ages 3-5:** Admin Building

**Ages 6-8:** Admin Building

**Ages 9- 12:** Admin Building

**Ages 13 and Up:** Fellowship Hall

**Choir:** Sanctuary

### 10:30 Worship Service

Sanctuary

### Nursery

**Dec 7th:** Mary, Ceilidh

**Dec 14th:** Beth, Abby

**Dec 21<sup>st</sup>:** Jennifer, Anna

**Dec 28<sup>th</sup>:** Jenny, Ella

### Fellowship Luncheons

**Dec 7<sup>th</sup>:** Bucer

**Dec 14<sup>th</sup>:** Calvin

**Dec 21<sup>st</sup>:** Knox

**Dec 28<sup>th</sup>:** Luther

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Evening Service:

**Jan 18th, 6PM**

### Lord's Day Assistants

**Dec:** C. Williams

**Jan:** D. Williams

### Attendance

**Nov 9<sup>th</sup>:** 156

**Nov 16<sup>th</sup>:** 189

**Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>:** 172

**Nov 30<sup>th</sup>:** 158

## Welcome to TPC

Trinity Presbyterian Church exists because of God's grace and for His glory. In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you to join us today in our highest privilege: worshipping the Triune God. We are delighted you are here and are eager to serve you.

### Church Staff

Pastor Ben Rossell

Associate Pastor - Mike Ruff

Facilities Manager - Mark Norris

Media Administrator - Selah Mallory

### Elders

Mike Mosley - Education

Greg Parry - Choir Director

Gary Williams - Clerk of Session

Sam Nelson

Elder Emeritus Erik Stoer

### Deacons

Don Hamilton     Nate Pierpoint

Micah Mallory     Keaton McDonald

Greg Waldron     Trever Knie

### Lay Leaders

Mindy Denigan – Biblical Counselor

Emily Knie – Librarian

Ethan King – Photographer

Caleb Williams - Webmaster

## Covenant Renewal Worship

Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church!

In the Lord's Service, the Father renews covenant with His people in Christ through the Holy Spirit. We receive God's gifts of Word and sacrament and respond in faithful prayer and sacrificial praise through our Great High Priest Jesus Christ.

We invite all baptized Christians, in good standing and not under discipline, to celebrate the Lord's Supper and so commune with Christ in His body.

We enjoy having our covenant children worship with us. However, should parents need assistance with their children 3 and under, there is a nursery available in the administrative building. Also, feel free to use the cry rooms if desired, which are located to the left and right of the sanctuary entrance. The south cry room on the right is designated for nursing mothers.

If you are a first time visitor, please consider filling out a visitor's card and dropping it in the offering plate.

## Announcements

**Our Missionary of the Week beginning today is Defuniak Pregnancy Center.** We encourage our families to pray for this mission partner at least once during the week.

### Mark Your Calendars:

**Dec 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 PM:** Midweek Advent Service.

**Dec 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:00 -9:00PM:** Christmas Party at the Mallory's

**Dec 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:00PM:** Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols Service

**Dec 28<sup>th</sup>:** No 9am Sunday School

**Dec 31<sup>st</sup> - Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Athanasius Youth Conference, Ages 16-25, Winter Springs, FL. See email announcement or talk to Pastor Ben for details.

**Men's Prayer Breakfast, Tuesdays at 6:00 AM:** After prayer, we are discussing Bill Smith's book, *How it All Fits Together: Knowing Wisdom from the Proverbs*.

## THE LORD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Rise and let us worship God! We are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**AMEN!**

Make a joyful shout to God, all the earth!

Sing out the honor of His name;

**MAKE HIS PRAISE GLORIOUS.**

Say to God: "How awesome are Your works!

**THROUGH THE GREATNESS OF YOUR POWER**

**YOUR ENEMIES SHALL SUBMIT THEMSELVES TO**

**YOU.**

All the earth shall worship You and sing praises to You;

**THEY SHALL SING PRAISES TO YOUR NAME."**

### *Worship Prelude*

Jesus taught us to be reconciled with our brother before any other act of worship (Matthew 5:22ff). If necessary, please do so without delay!

### *Opening Call and Response*

The congregation reads the words in **bold** print.

### *Entrance Hymn*

### *Savior of the Nations, Come*

### *Entrance Hymn*

*Nun Komm, der Heiden Heiland*, Luther's paraphrase of  
*Veni Redemptor*, ascribed to Ambrose, 4th century;  
tr. based on that of W. M. Reynolds, 1850

NUN KOMM, 77.77

Melody in *Enchiridion* (Erfurt, 1524)

1. Sav - ior of the na-tions, come; vir - gin's son, make here your home.  
2. From the Fa - ther forth you came, soon re - turn - ing to the same,  
3. You, the Fa - ther's on - ly son, have o'er sin the vic - tory won.  
4. Bright - ly does your man - ger shine; glo - rious is its light di - vine.

1. Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth, that the Lord chose such a birth.  
2. cap - tive lead - ing death and hell. Let the song of tri - umph swell!  
3. Bound - less shall your king - dom be; when shall we its glo - ries see?  
4. Let not sin o'er - cloud this light; ev - er be our faith thus bright.

Rejoice in song together to give thanks to the name of the Lord. He welcomes us into His house.

*Entrance Psalm*

God calls us to enter into His Sanctuary and worship Him. Hear and speak together His Psalter, carrying on a conversation with God.

*Entrance Psalm 72*

Give the King Your judgments, O God,  
**AND YOUR RIGHTEOUSNESS TO THE KING'S SON.**

He will judge Your people with righteousness,  
**AND YOUR POOR WITH JUSTICE.**

The mountains will bring peace to the people,  
**AND THE LITTLE HILLS, BY RIGHTEOUSNESS.**

He will bring justice to the poor of the people;  
**HE WILL SAVE THE CHILDREN OF THE NEEDY, AND WILL BREAK IN PIECES THE OPPRESSOR.**

They shall fear You as long as the sun and moon endure,  
**THROUGHOUT ALL GENERATIONS.**

He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass,  
**LIKE SHOWERS THAT WATER THE EARTH.**

In His days the righteous shall flourish,  
**AND ABUNDANCE OF PEACE, UNTIL THE MOON IS NO MORE.**

He shall have dominion also from sea to sea,  
**AND FROM THE RIVER TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH.**

Those who dwell in the wilderness will bow before Him,  
**AND HIS ENEMIES WILL LICK THE DUST.**

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles will bring presents;  
**THE KINGS OF SHEBA AND SEBA WILL OFFER GIFTS.**

Yes, all kings shall fall down before Him;  
**ALL NATIONS SHALL SERVE HIM.**

For He will deliver the needy when he cries,  
**THE POOR ALSO, AND HIM WHO HAS NO HELPER.**

He will spare the poor and needy,  
**AND WILL SAVE THE SOULS OF THE NEEDY.**

He will redeem their life from oppression and violence;  
**AND PRECIOUS SHALL BE THEIR BLOOD IN HIS SIGHT.**

And He shall live;  
**AND THE GOLD OF SHEBA WILL BE GIVEN TO HIM;**

Prayer also will be made for Him continually  
**AND DAILY HE SHALL BE PRAISED.**

There will be an abundance of grain in the earth,  
**ON THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAINS;**

Its fruit shall wave like Lebanon;  
**AND THOSE OF THE CITY SHALL FLOURISH LIKE GRASS OF THE EARTH.**

His name shall endure forever;  
**HIS NAME SHALL CONTINUE AS LONG AS THE SUN.**

And men shall be blessed in Him;  
**ALL NATIONS SHALL CALL HIM BLESSED.**

Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel,  
**WHO ALONE DOES WONDROUS THINGS!**

And blessed be His glorious name forever!  
**AND LET THE WHOLE EARTH BE FILLED WITH HIS GLORY. AMEN AND AMEN.**

## *The Lord's Prayer*

(arr. Nikolai Kedrov)

Let us pray together...

**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 debts, as we forgive, our debtors.  
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.**

## THE LORD CLEANSSES US

Let us kneel and confess our sins together, first silently and then in unison.

(Please Kneel)

*Let us pray together...* **Most merciful God, I confess to You that I am by nature sinful and unclean, and that I have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed; not only in outward transgressions, but also in secret thoughts and desires that I am not able to understand, but which are all known to You. For this reason, I flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, through my Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## *Cleansing of Sin*

(Please Stand)

*Hear now God's assurance of forgiveness...*

Lift up your hearts!

**We lift them up to the Lord!**

### \* *Sanctus*

The musical score for the Sanctus is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. It begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The tempo/mood is indicated as 'with vigor'. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The score includes dynamic markings such as 'fff' (fortissimo) and 'est' (est). The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Lord, God of Hosts! Hea-ven and earth are full of Your glo-ry! Ho - san-na in the High - est! Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the High - est.'

\*Raise hands

## *The Lord's Prayer*

The house of God is a house of prayer. As Jesus' disciples, we pray the prayer He taught us. Our prayer to God the Father, through God the Son, and by God the Holy Spirit is powerful and effective, so pray in faith.

## *Confession of Sin*

The silent prayer of confession is the time to examine yourself, confess your sins, and repent. It is the appropriate time to pray, 'Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my thoughts; and see if there is any wicked way in me and lead me in the way everlasting' (Psalm 139:23-24).

The corporate confession of our sin calls upon God to show mercy to His people who repent. We beseech the Lord in humility.

## *Cleansing of Sin*

Good news! Christ the Lord saves His people from their sins. Now ascend into the throne room of God assured of our forgiveness in Christ.

## *Sanctus*

Sanctus means 'Holy'. Our Holy God makes us Holy so we can join Him. Now cleansed of sin, we meet with Him. We delight, and so we sing!

# THE LORD CONSECRATES US

(Please be seated)

## The Word of the Lord

God speaks with us through His Word to teach, correct, rebuke, and train us in righteousness. Heed these lessons, for in keeping them there is great reward.

## First & Second Lessons

Isaiah 11:1-10 & Romans 15:4-13

## The Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

(Please stand for our Epistle Hymn)

*I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*

1 I greet thee, who my sure Re-deem-er art,  
2 Thou art the King of mer-cy and of grace,  
3 Thou art the life, by which a-lone we live,  
4 Our hope is in no oth-er save in thee;

my on-ly trust and Sav-ior of my heart,  
reign-ing om-ni-po-tent in ev-ery place:  
and all our sub-stance and our strength re-ceive;  
our faith is built up-on thy prom-ise free;

who pain didst un-der-go for my poor sake;  
so come, O King, and our whole be-ing sway;  
sus-tain us by thy faith and by thy power,  
Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure,

I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.  
shine on us with the light of thy pure day.  
and give us strength in ev-ery try-ing hour.  
that in thy strength we ev-er-more en-dure.

WORDS: Attr. John Calvin (1509-1564); tr. Elizabeth I. Smith (1817-1898), alt.  
MUSIC: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551

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(Please remain standing for the Gospel Reading)

*Gospel Lesson*

Matthew 3:1-12

The Gospel of the Kingdom!  
**Praise be to the Lord Jesus Christ!**

*\* The Gloria Patri*

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost!**  
**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.**  
**World without end. Amen, Amen!**

*Prayer for Illumination*

(Please be seated)

*Preaching of the Word*      Pastor Ben Rossell

*Notes below:*

*Prayer of Consecration*

*The Gospel Lesson*

Just as the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, so the Gospel Lesson is read from the floor among the congregation. Hearers respond by standing to honor the Word.

*The Gloria Patri*

Gloria Patri literally means "Glory to the Father". We praise God for speaking to us His Word.

*Preaching of the Word*

God appoints ministers to teach His Word. Listen as the sermon illuminates truth among us and calls forth fruit so that you may obey God in your daily life.



### Offertory

Offering gifts in worship is an immediate indication of our full obedience with all our life. We encourage everyone to give generously. God accepts our offering and calls us to meet the needs of His people both here in this Church and throughout the world.

## THE LORD COLLECTS OUR GIFTS

### Offertory

*O Lord of Hosts, How Lovely, Psalm 84*

1. O Lord of Hosts, how love - ly the place where thou dost dwell!  
2. Blest who thy house in - hab - it, they ev - er give thee praise;  
3. O hear, Lord God of Ja - cob, to me an an - swer yield;  
4. Our sun and shield, Je - ho - vah, will grace and glo - ry give;

Thy tab - er - na - cles ho - ly in pleas - ant - ness ex - cel.  
blest all whom thou dost strength - en, who love the sa - cred ways.  
the face of thine a - noint - ed, be - hold, O God, our shield.  
no good will he de - ny them that up - right - ly do live.

My soul is long - ing, faint - ing, Je - ho - vah's courts to see;  
So they from strength un - wea - ried go for - ward un - to strength,  
One day ex - cels a thou - sand if spent thy courts with - in;  
O God of hosts, Je - ho - vah, how blest is ev - 'ry - one

my heart and flesh are cry - ing, O liv - ing God, for thee.  
till they ap - pear in Zi - on be - fore the Lord at length.  
I'll choose thy thresh - old, rath - er than dwell in tents of sin.  
who con - fi - dence re - pos - es on thee, O Lord, a - lone.

From Psalm 84  
Associate Reformed Presbyterian Psalter, 1931; alt. 1961

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Welsh hymn melody  
David Evans's Hymnau a Thonau, 1865

### Intercessory Prayer

Royal priesthood, call upon God now to act for our good and the good of the whole world.

### Presentation of Tithes and Offering

### Prayer for the Church and the World

(Please Stand)

Oh Lord, hear our prayer!  
**For You are gracious!**



## *Nicene Creed*

Christians, in Whom do we trust?

**We believe in one God: the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible;**

**And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father;  
by Whom all things were made;  
Who for us men, and for our salvation,  
came down from Heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the virgin, Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered, and was buried,  
and the third day  
He rose again according to the Scriptures;  
and ascended into Heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of the Father;  
and He shall come again with glory  
to judge both the quick and the dead;  
Whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life,  
Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;  
Who with the Father and the Son  
together is worshipped and glorified;  
Who spoke through the prophets.**

**And we believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.**

**Amen.**

## *Confession of Faith*

Vow an allegiance to live by faith in obedience to the Triune God. As symbols of our faith, the Apostles', Athanasian, and Nicene Creeds confirm orthodox belief and separate true from false gospels.

The Lord's Supper is the supreme means of covenant renewal between God and his people. This supper is a family feast for the people of God. We enter the family in baptism; we remain in the family by faithfully participating in the life of a local church. Thanks be to God that we are one together in Christ!

If you are a baptized member of a Christian Church, please partake with us. If you do not meet this qualification, please refrain from coming to the table, and see the elders to discuss your future participation.

## Bread

The bread we break is a sharing in the body of Christ. Since there is one bread, we who are many are one body; for we all partake of the one bread. We sit and share bread with one another even as we devote ourselves to serve one another.

## LORD COMMUNES WITH US

(Please be seated)

## Communion Exhortation

## Bread

## O God, Give to the King Thy Justice (Ps 72)

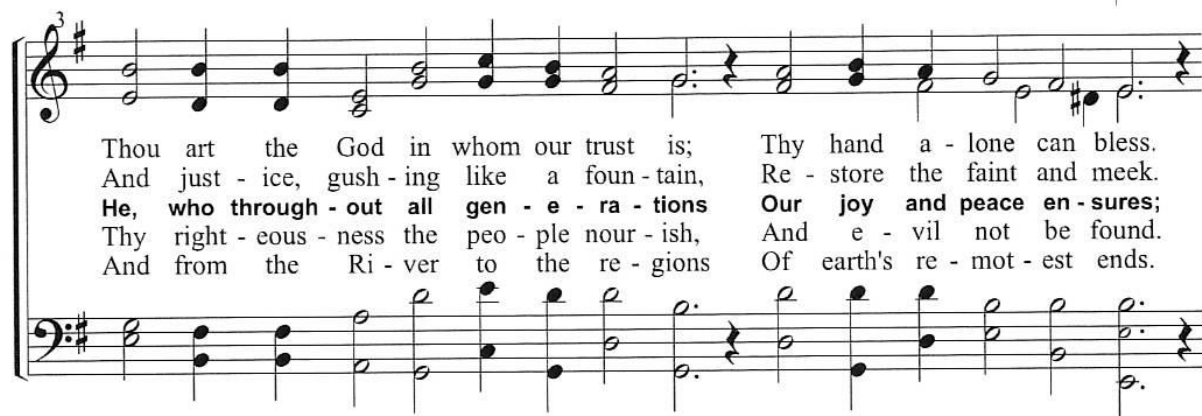
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& William Helder, 1980

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Genevan Psalter, 1543  
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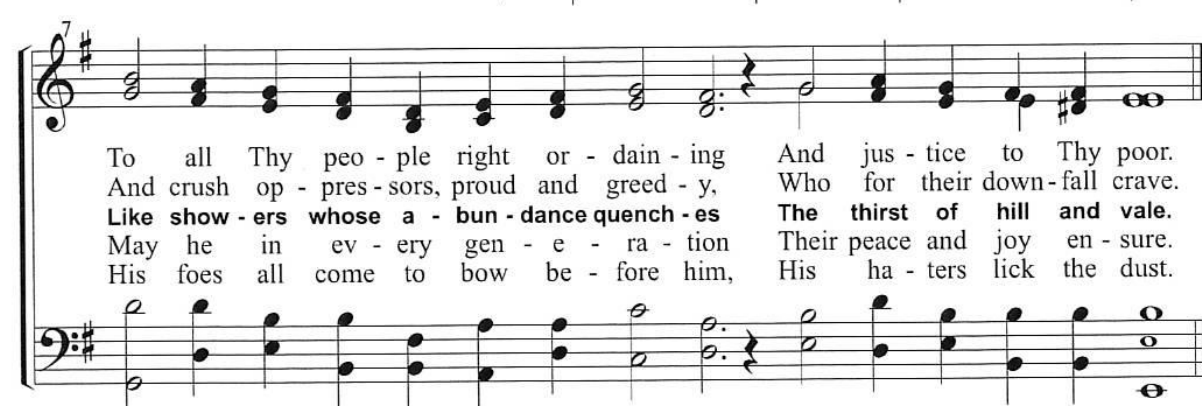
1. O God, give to the king Thy jus - tice, His son Thy right - eous - ness.  
2. May for the peo - ple hill and moun - tain Bring forth the peace they seek,  
3. **May he, so high a - bove the na - tions, Live while the sun en - dures,**  
4. May in his days Thy just - ice flour - ish, The earth with peace a - bound,  
5. For ev - er - more may his do - min - ion From sea to sea ex - tend,



Thou art the God in whom our trust is; Thy hand a - lone can bless.  
And just - ice, gush - ing like a foun - tain, Re - store the faint and meek.  
**He, who through - out all gen - e - ra - tions Our joy and peace en - sures;**  
Thy right - eous - ness the peo - ple nour - ish, And e - vil not be found.  
And from the Ri - ver to the re - gions Of earth's re - mot - est ends.



May he, the roy - al son, be reign - ing With judg - ments true and sure,  
May he de - fend the poor and need - y, May he their child - ren save,  
**And may he be like rain that drench - es The mea - dows parched and pale,**  
Long may he live, and rule our na - tion While sun and moon en - dure;  
May ev - 'ry tribe and tongue a - dore him, And may from east and west



To all Thy peo - ple right or - dain - ing And jus - tice to Thy poor.  
And crush op - pres - sors, proud and greed - y, Who for their down - fall crave.  
**Like show - ers whose a - bun - dance quench - es The thirst of hill and vale.**  
May he in ev - ery gen - e - ra - tion Their peace and joy en - sure.  
His foes all come to bow be - fore him, His ha - ters lick the dust.

Guitar chords for unison singing only

The musical score is written for guitar and unison singing. It consists of four systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one flat (Bb) and the time signature is 4/4. The guitar chords are indicated above the treble staff, and the lyrics are written below the bass staff.

**System 1:** Chords: Dm, C, F, C, Dm, C, F. Lyrics: 1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul? What 2. When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When 3. To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, To 4. Ye friends of Zi-on's King, join the praise, join the praise; Ye 5. And when from death we're free, we'll sing on, we'll sing on; And 6. And when to that bright world we a-rise, we a-rise, And

**System 2:** Chords: C, Am, C, Dm, C, F, Dm. Lyrics: won-drous love is this, O my soul? What won-drous love is this I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When I was sink-ing down God and to the Lamb, I will sing, To God and to the Lamb, friends of Zi-on's King, join the praise Ye friends of Zi-on's King, when from death we're free, we'll sing on; And when from death we're free, when to that bright world we a-rise, When to that world we go,

**System 3:** Chords: Am, Dm, C, F, C. Lyrics: that caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dread-ful curse for my be-neath God's right-eous frown, Christ laid a-side His crown for my who is the great "I AM"; While mil-lions join the theme, I will with hearts and voices sing, And strike each tune-ful string in His we'll sing and joy-ful be, And through e-ter-ni-ty we'll sing free from all pain and woe, We'll join the hap-py throng and sing

**System 4:** Chords: Dm, C, F, C, Am, C, Dm. Lyrics: soul, for my soul? To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul? soul, for my soul, Christ laid a-side His crown for my soul. sing, I will sing, While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing. praise, in His praise! And strike each tune-ful string in His praise! on, we'll sing on, And through e-ter-ni-ty we'll sing on. on, and sing on. We'll join the hap-py throng and sing on.

## Cup of Wine

The cup of blessing which we bless is a sharing in the blood of Christ. Drink to the glory of God and grow in His grace!

*Versicle*

A versicle is a response  
setting of a Scripture verse.  
Let us give thanks, for God  
dwells among us, His chosen  
people!

*The Doxology*

Join together and praise our  
Triune God!

*Versicle*

*O Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!*

*For everlasting is His lovingkindness!*

*\* The Doxology*

**Praise God from whom all blessing flow,  
Praise Him all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!**



# THE LORD COMMISSIONS US

*Benediction of Peace*  
*Hymn of Response*

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

HYFRYDOL (8 7. 8 7. D.)  
Rowland Hugh Pritchard, 1855

Charles Wesley, 1744



1. Come, Thou long - ex - spect - 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.

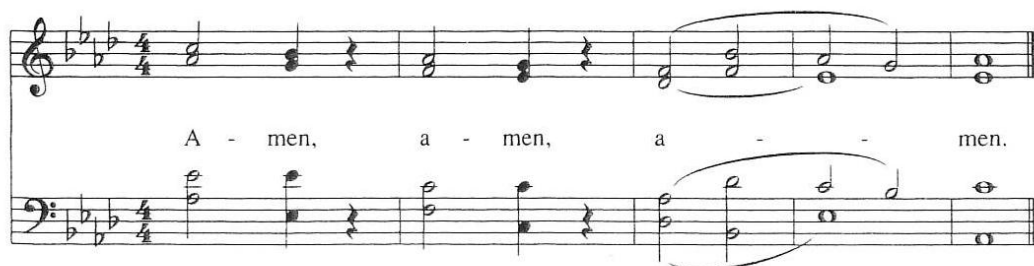


Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, Hope of all the earth Thou art,  
By Thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;



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.

*God bless you! Go in peace, and the God of peace be with you!*



A - men, a - men, a - men.

DANISH  
Anon.

*Benediction of Peace*

Worship continues through the remainder of the week as we live our lives in the presence of God. In all our callings and vocations, whatever we do, we do to the glory of God!

*Hymn of Response*

We leave today equipped for our victory. Sing now, surrounded by your family, as God's musicians marching forth to battle sin and to bring God glory.