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All Saints' Day

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November 1, 2026 — 9:30 a.m.
Welcome to worship, we are glad you are with us!

GATHERING



PRELUDE

INTRODUCTION

All Saints' celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, our dwelling place for all generations, whose compassion never slumbers.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,

we confess that we have trusted in our preparation instead of your invitation. We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved. We trust the voice of our shame and fear, which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others. We are not awake to the coming of your reign. Rouse us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy.

Amen.

Inherit the riches of God's grace. ☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy. You are forgiven. Blessed are you.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

"For All the Saints"

ELW 422 vs. 1-4

For All the Saints

ELW 422



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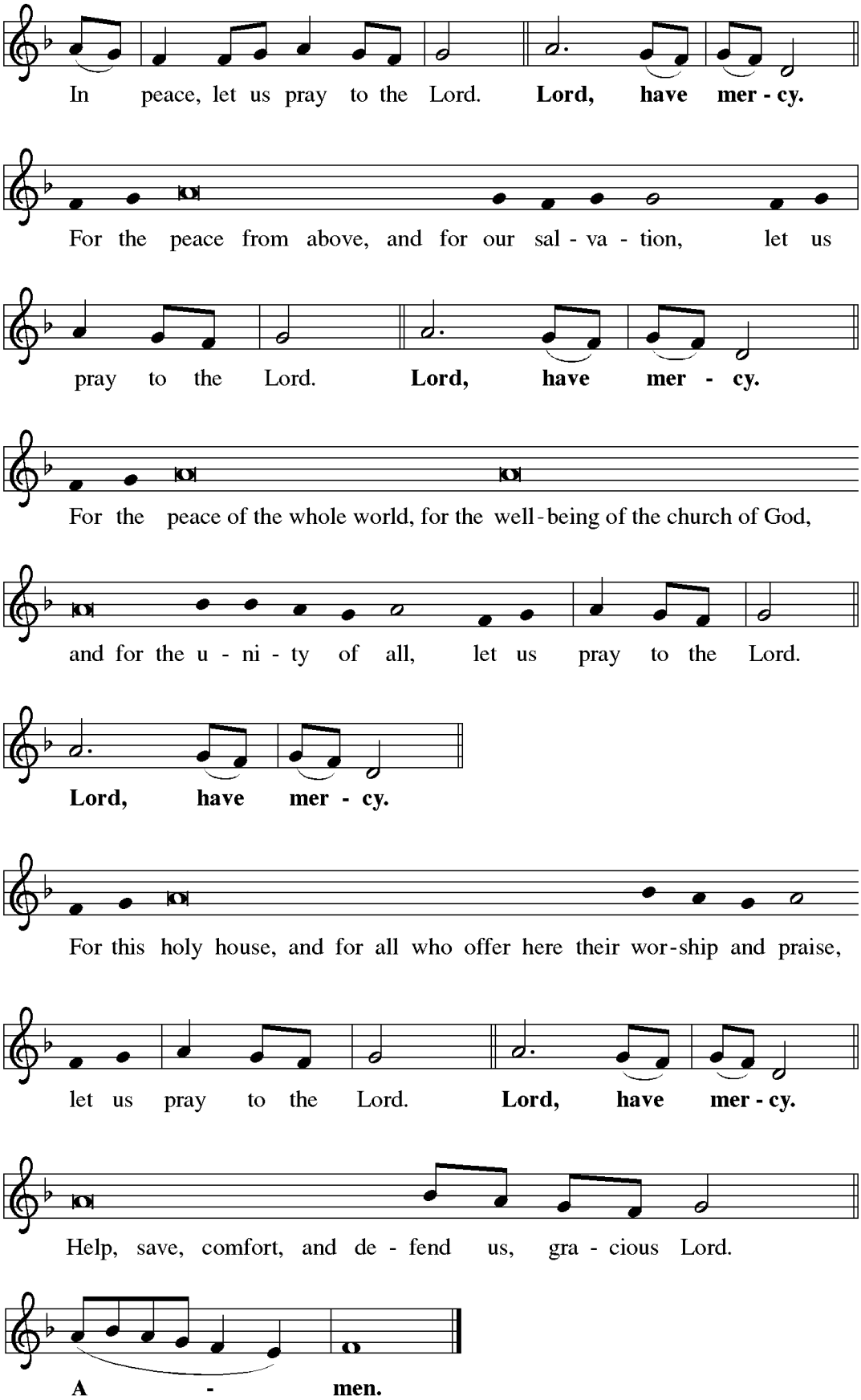
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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also, with you.

Kyrie


In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**
For the peace from above, and for our sal - va - tion, let us
pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,
and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mer - cy.
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**
Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.
A - men.

This Is the Feast



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

READINGS

Revelation 7:9-17

9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and
peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in
their hands. 10 They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and
to the Lamb!" 11 And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and
they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12 singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and
thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." 13 Then one of the elders
addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" 14 I said to him, "Sir, you
are the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have
washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. 15 For this reason they are before the throne of
God and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
16 They will hunger no more and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat, 17 for the Lamb
at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will
wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Word of God, word of life

Thanks be to God

1 John 3:1-3

1 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason
the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has
not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.
3 And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

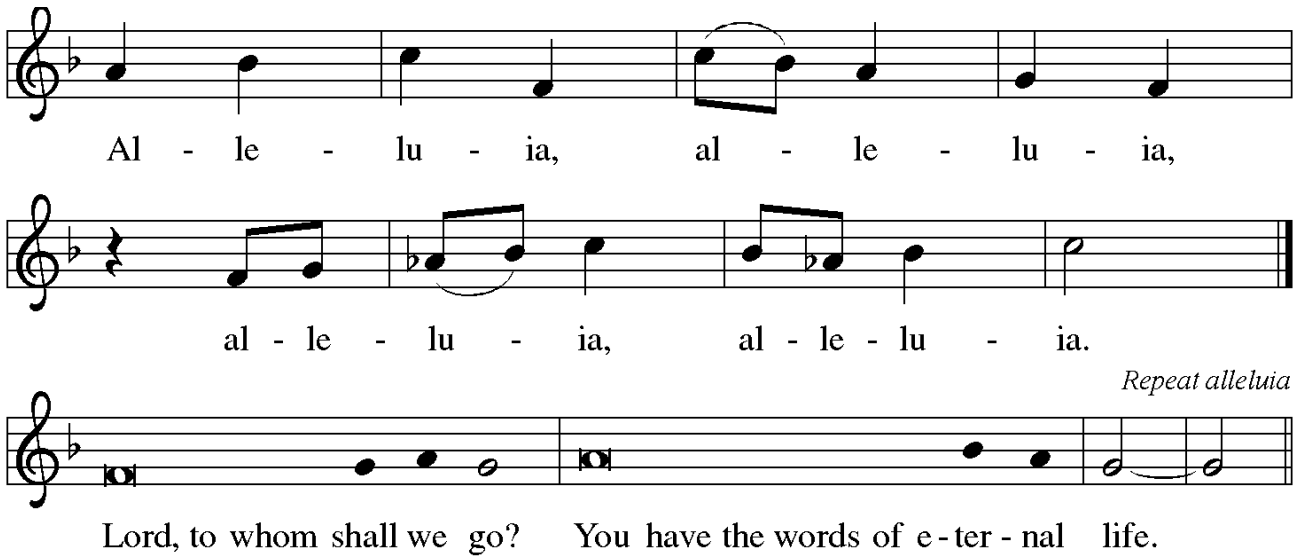
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Thanks be to God

CHILDREN'S TIME

Congregation: Please Rise for the Gospel Acclamation

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 5th chapter beginning at the 1sst verse.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 5:1-12

[1] When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. [2] And he began to speak and taught them, saying: [3] "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [4] "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. [5] "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. [6] "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. [7] "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. [8] "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. [9] "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. [10] "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [11] "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. [12] Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

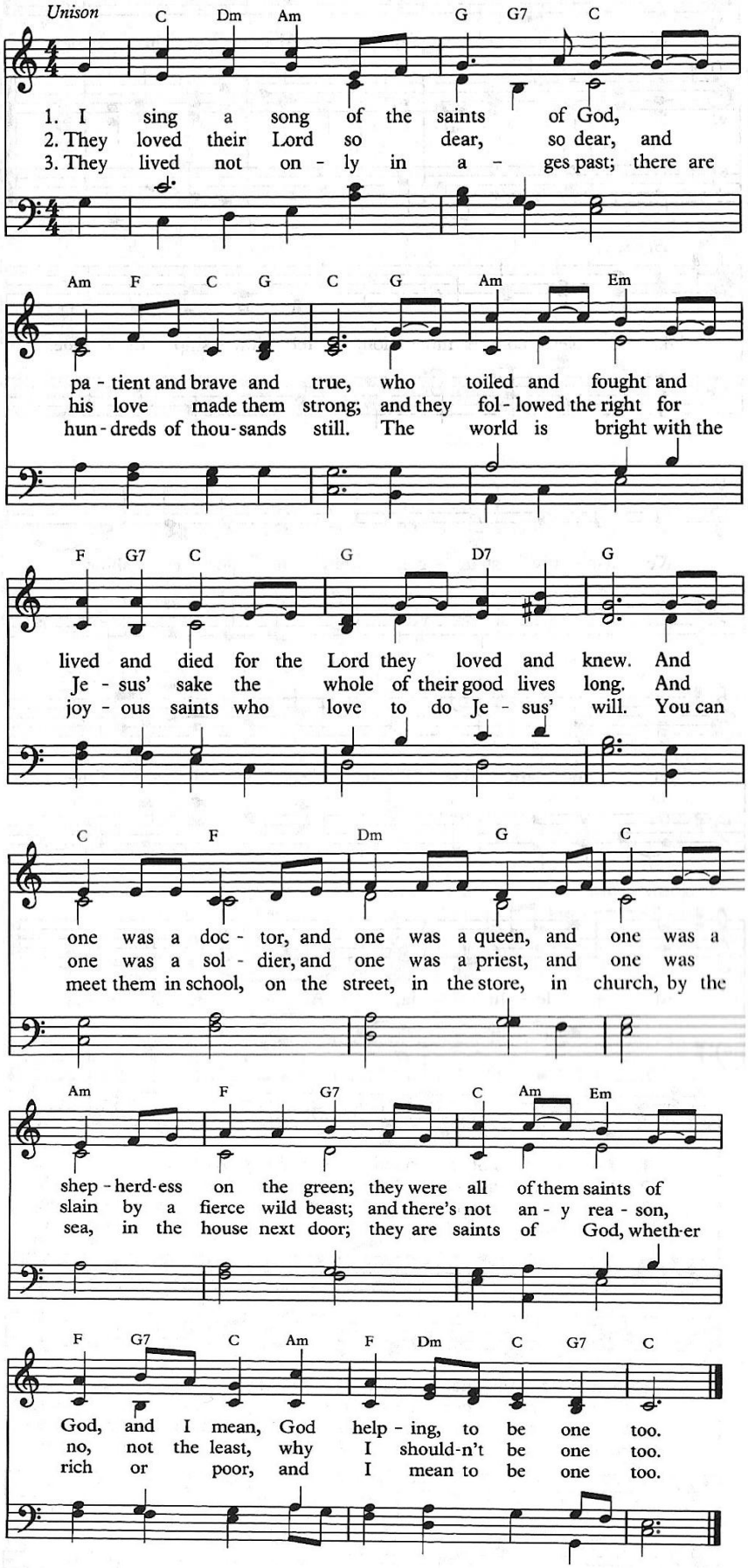
SERMON

Pastor Stephanie Kopsch

HYMN OF THE DAY

"I Sing a Song of the Saints of God" See Insert

712 I Sing a Song of the Saints of God



LITANY OF REMBERANCE AND BLESSING

Litany of Remembrance and Blessing

All Saints' Day, October 31 and November 1, 2026

We gather together to light candles of those who have completed their baptismal journey and now rest in God's eternal glory. We light candles to celebrate the memories of our loved ones which will always remain in our hearts.

We light candles to give thanks for the life, love, and laughter we shared.

We light candles to reflect on the ways that these people have shaped us in life and faith.

We light candles to show the hope we have in the resurrection dawn.

We light candles to warm hearts that at times grow cold in grief.

We light candles to represent the light our loved ones still give to us even in death.

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Let us pray: We give you thanks, gracious God, for the lives and witness of these your servants. Grant comfort to those who grieve and weep with the knowledge that we will meet again in your eternal glory. Bless us as we remember your love for each of the saints we remember here; in the name of Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life. Amen.

2026 SAINTS OF FIRST LUTHERAN

This list of saints has passed into God's eternal care between All Saints' Day 2025 (November 2) and All Saints' Day 2026. We remember them with love and light candles to represent their light in our lives.

Diana Austin

Harrie Enfinger

Virginia Haux

Andres Puky

Betty Fenstermaker

Jerri Modrall

Gerald Mueller

Marjorie Cain

Jolene Stromquist

Rodney Ahlberg

Daniel Hoover

Charles Grant

Cary Hall

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also, with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEAL

OFFERTORY

"Fly Away Medley" arr. by Mark Hayes — Chancel Choir

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Eternal God,

our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Lift up your hearts

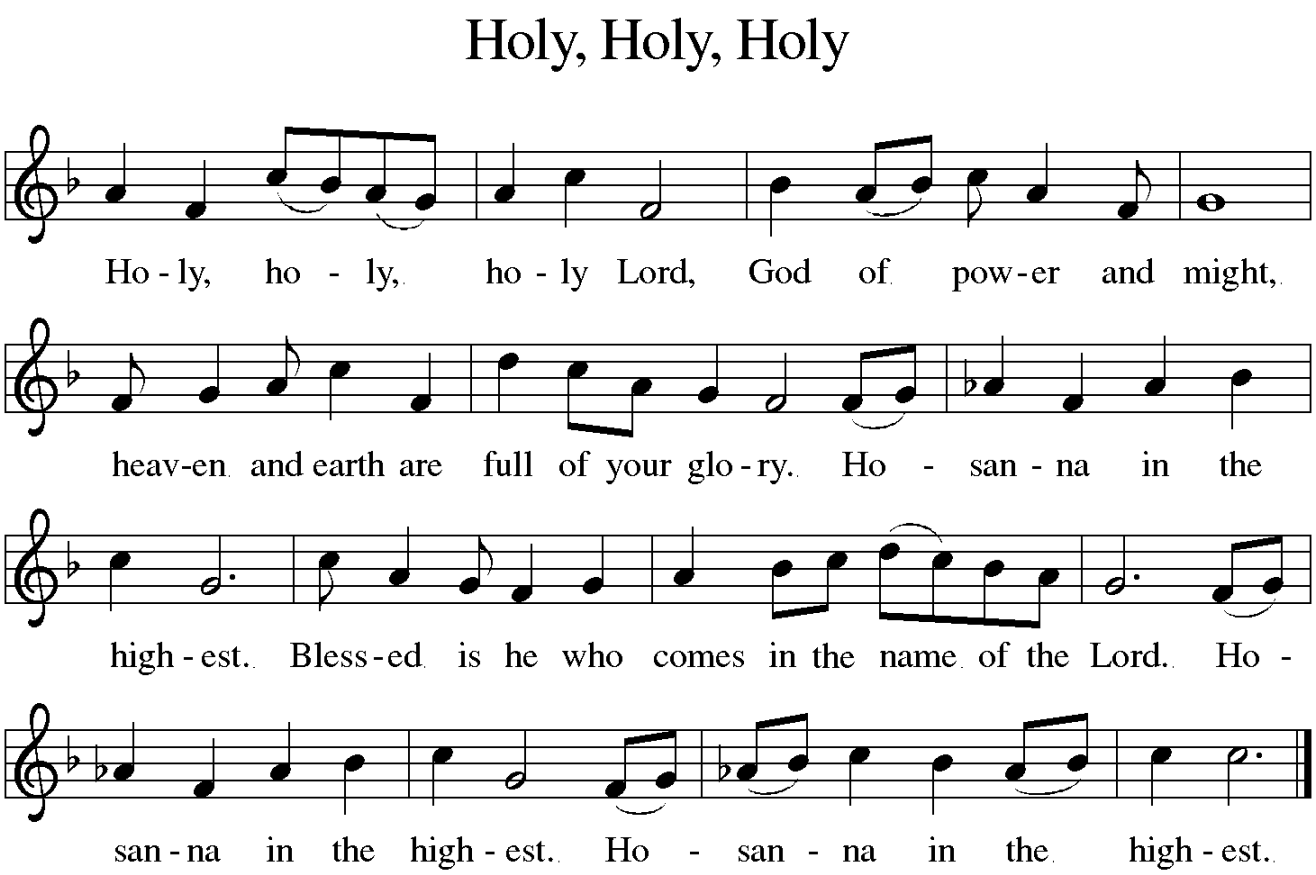
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



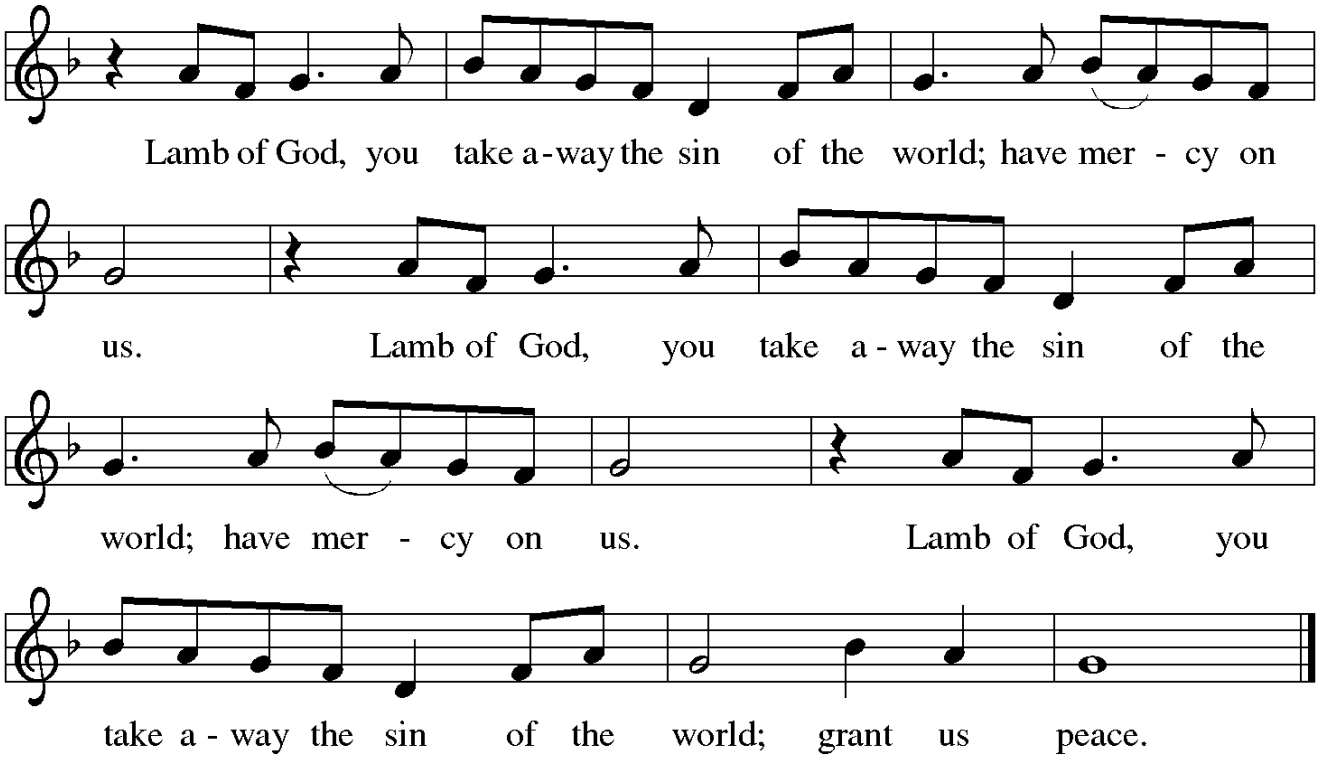
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever.
Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

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COMMUNION

This is the table of God. All who hunger for God's presence in their lives are invited to receive bread and wine. Please come forward at the direction of the usher. Our bread is gluten free, prepared and baked in a kitchen excluding wheat flour. The wine is in the outer, darker circle of glasses in the communion trays while the lighter glasses in the center contain grape juice. Should you prefer not to receive communion, please come forward for a blessing by crossing your arms in front of your chest. Come and see that the Lord is good.

COMMUNION HYMNS

"One Bread, One Body"	*ELW 496*
"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"	*ELW 773*
"We Come to the Hungry Feast"	*ELW 479*

One Bread, One Body

ELW 496



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Precious Lord, Take My Hand **ELW 773**

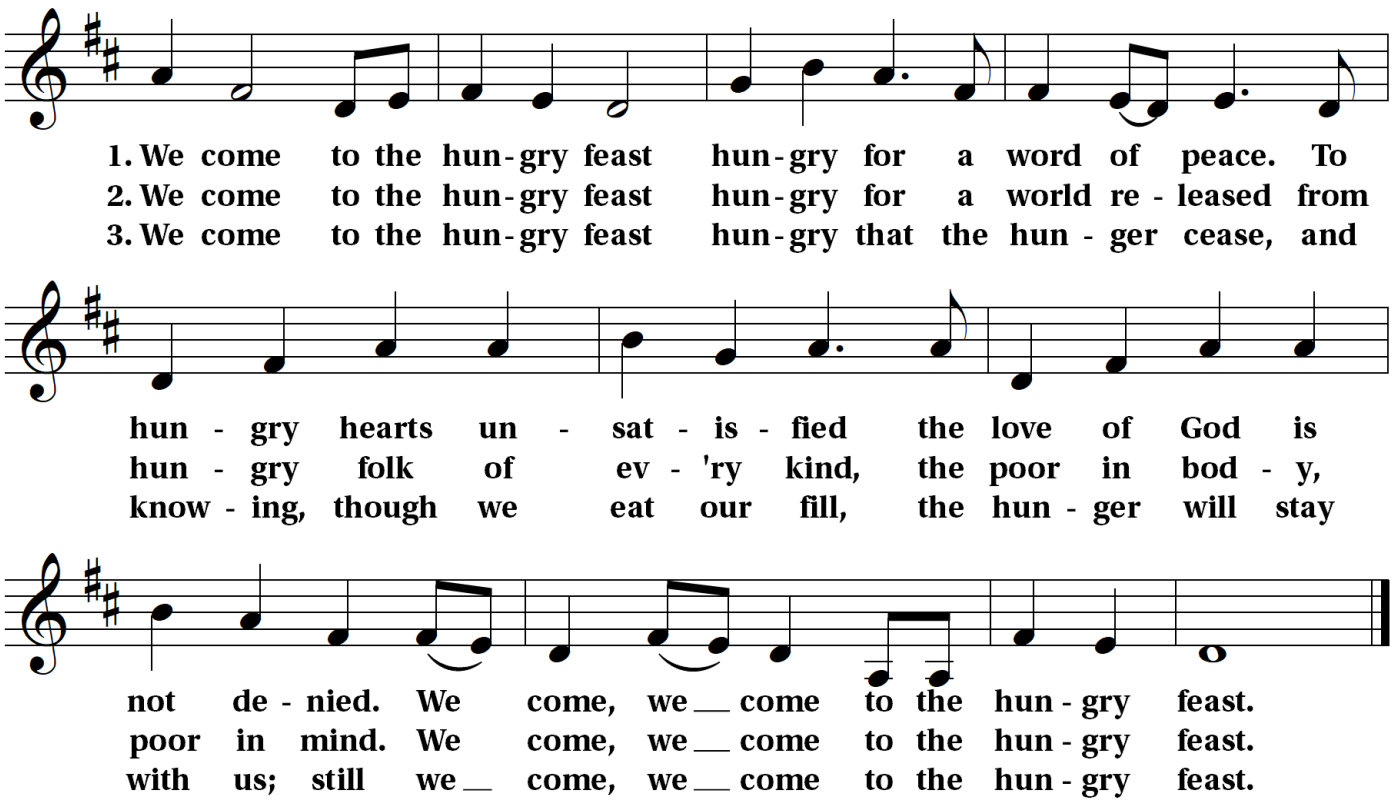
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We Come to the Hungry Feast

ELW 479



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HUNGRY FEAST
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COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy God,

we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever.

Amen

SENDING

SENDING OF COMMUNION

In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these Holy Gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are one body, because we all share in one bread, one cup.

Amen

BLESSING

The holy Trinity, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN *"For All the Saints"* ELW 422 vs. 5-7

SENDING

Go in peace. Encourage one another.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Welcome to Worship!

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME IN WORSHIP, and families can sit anywhere in the sanctuary, including the chapel near the front.

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LARGE-PRINT BULLETINS & HYMNS are available from the ushers.

ADDITIONAL PARKING is available in the Ahlberg Chapel parking lot, one-half block north of the church on Terry Street.

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We love seeing you in worship!

Preacher/Presider	Pastor Stephanie Kopsch
Worship Assistant	Deacon Korra Looschen
Acolytes	Eli Brast Elliott Brast
Council Hosts:	Dorotha Ekx Rick Samson
Ushers:	Holly Keenan Todd Gould
Reader:	Shannon Satur
Communion Assistants:	Shannon Satur Jeff Satur
Choir Director	Sally Campbell
Organist/Pianist:	Gary Elmquist
Livestream Operator	Shawn Chatfield

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